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**Saints** Spotlight





Stefan de Vrij, 22, Daryl Janmaat,

24, Terence Kongolo, 20, and Bruno Martins Indi, 22.

back Janmaat have started all

Centre-half De Vrij and right-

From front page

Many of last year's star players under Mauricio Pochettino have left or are leaving, but it leaves Koeman, pictured, with an enviable transfer budget with which to make his mark.

All four players came through the youth set-up at Feyenoord –

although Janmaat did leave the

club before returning again two

Saints executive director Les Reed, who is handling all transfer matters at board level, has guaranteed fans that any funds generated by player sales will be reinvested into the squad.

That will be good news for Koeman. With the sales of Rickie Lambert, Luke Shaw and Adam Lallana generating more than £50m between them - even

allowing for Bournemouth's 25 per cent sell-on clause for Lallana which nets them about £6.25m - he has a strong base to start with.

established in the first-team of the

Rotterdam club under Koeman. Also in the Dutch squad,

although yet to play at the World

Cup, is highly-rated midfielder Jordy Clasie, who is said to have

On top of that Dejan Lovren is also expected to be sold, with figures of up to £15m-£20m being mentioned, which doesn't seem totally unrealistic when you consider Saints paid £8.5m for him last

The club are thought to have earmarked money for player investment in their budget anyway which can then be added to the figures.

On top of that there is every chance

that Dani Osvaldo could be moved on this summer, despite Juventus deciding not to take up their option to sign him.Gaston Ramirez has also been

heavily linked with a move back to Italy, all of which could comfortably

uct of the Feyenoord academy and

became an integral part of the first-team under Koeman.

Another of his protégés, winger

Jean-Paul Boëtius, 20, who scored ten goals for his club last season,

lead to a £100m pot to spend.

Koeman will need those kind of spending levels though to stabilise things at Saints.

It will be a very different side taking to the pitch at Anfield on the opening day of the season than

the opening day of the season than the one that finished the last camaign.The general consensus was that

Saints needed further players anyway to

beef up the size of their squad a little as they had been caught out slightly when injuries kicked in.

Saints, therefore, will be hoping

Koeman can continue their own tradition of taking players from

their own academy and nurturing

them into international stars of

With a host of players leaving they are

set to need even more players.
Key for Koeman will be not only to
recruit the right players for the right
price, but to try and start spending fairly

Though some moves could be held up because of players on World Cup duty, with the squad gathering again he will want the players to have as long as possible to gel in pre-season rather than trying to hit the ground running at the start of the new campaign.

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into a perennially-unfit Arsenal side. s dismantling

His dismantling

Manchester United in the first leg of the Champions League's round of 16 gave

goals, Campbell provided a sublime

through ball for Los Ticos' third,

leaving Uruguay reeling and Costa Rica celebrating. Perhaps the most underrated

oung talent in the tournament,

Campbell's contributions are far from over. With their qualifica-tion to the last 16 sealed as group

winners, following their 0-0 draw with England on Tuesday, Campbell could prove to be even more

devastating than he already has been. We will find out when he lines up against

EXCLUSIVE column on all things football



attack,

began coming in

his

instate-

calls

**OUT OF THE** SHADOWS: Joel Campbell has emerged as one of the stars of the World Cup.

Greece tomorrow.

With every protagonist in a dairy tale, there is always one old seer who guides the young gun to greatness.

Bryan Ruiz is that man for

Costa Rica.

After a disappointing two seasons at Fulham, Ruiz has come back in style, leading his troops to the top of their group. The maturity and experience

he brings is absolutely essential to his team. Ruiz commands from the centre and leads from the front.

It was perhaps only fitting that his header against Italy solidified his country's path into the last 16. Though sceptics might label Costa

Rica's achievement as a one-off, for-

tune only favours the brave.

To put the South American champions and the runners up at Euro 2012 to the sword requires much more than just mere luck.

Their evident disregard for big names, big teams and fear of failure has been refreshing.

Abandoning those burdens are perhaps traits that a few teams could learn from – no more so than England and Ivory Coast.

The ability to play as a team, fighting for their nation's pride, rather than 11 individuals annoyed at the delay of their summer holidays, has proved its
worth yet again
With the group of

death conquered, there seems little that will phase Pinto and his army

While one can, or

probably will. take Costa Rica seriously as con-tenders for the biggest prize in foot-ball, don't be shocked if they claim a few more scalps along the way.

In fact, the game against Greece this weekend shouldn't be too much of a hurdle for a confident Costa Rican outfit.

With a potential quarter-final tie against Louis Van Gaal's Holland not out of the question, could Costa Rica's appearance in a semi-final be the biggest surprise of this tournament?

LUIS Suarez has been banned for nine international matches, and from all football for four months, after being convicted of biting Giorgio Chiellini in Uruguay's

World Cup clash with Italy. Here, the Sports Pink looks at some of the previous controversies surrounding the Liverpool

February 2007: Makes his international debut for Uruguay against Colombia but is sent off late on after being shown a sec-

ond yellow card for dissent.

November 2007: Joins Ajax from Uruguayan side Nacional but is later suspended by the Dutch giants after a half-time dressing-room altercation with

team-mate Albert Luque.

July 2010: During the 2010

World Cup quarter-finals, Suarez prevents Ghana's Dominic Adiyiah from scoring in the final minute with a deliberate handball on the line and is subsequently sent off. A penalty was awarded but missed by Asamoah Gyan and footage showed Suarez celebrating on the sidelines.

November 2010: Handed a

seven-match ban by the Dutch FA and fined by his club for biting PSV Eindhoven midfielder Otman

October 2011: Following his move to Liverpool in January 2011, is involved in a tackle with Everton's Jack Rodwell and goes down with apparent minimal con-



tact. Rodwell is then sent off. October 2011: Alleged to have racially abused Manchester United's Patrice Evra. Later found guilty by an independent regulatory commission, banned for eight matches and fined £40,000.

December 2011: Seen making an offensive gesture towards Fulham fans. At this time he had already been charged by the FA over the racism incident, although not yet punished, but was handed a further one-match ban for the gesture.

February 2012: United and Liverpool meet again at Old Trafford and Suarez refuses to shake Evra's hand before kick-off.

October 2012: Celebrates a

goal against Everton by diving in front of Toffees boss David Moyes, who had earlier claimed that 'divers' such as Suarez were putting fans off the English game. **April 2013:** Bites Branislav

Ivanovic on the arm but escapes punishment on the pitch as the referee fails to see it. Fined by club the following day and charged with violent conduct by the FA. Subsequently handed a 10-match ban by an independent regulatory commission.

June 2014: Bites Chiellini.

Banned by FIFA for four months and nine internationals and ordered to pay 100,000 Swiss francs fine.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP TRANSFERS SUMMER 2014**

## **BIRMINGHAM CITY**

In: David Edgar (Burnley), Stephen Gleeson (MK Dons), Jonathan Grounds (Oldham Athletic), Gavin Gunning Dundee United), Wes Thomas (Rotherham United), Grant Hall (Tottenham Hotspur, Loan), David Cotterill (Doncaster Rovers) Free, Clayton Donaldson

Out: Aaron Martin (Yeovil Town), Hayder Mullins (Notts County).

Released: Peter Lovenkrands, Darren Ambrose, Wade Elliott, Brian Howard, Akwasi Asante, Reece Hales, Ryan Higgins.

## **BLACKBURN ROVERS**

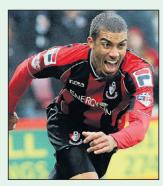
In: Chris Brown (Doncaster Rovers).
Out: Alan Judge (Brentford, Undisclosed), Released: William Beesley, Robbie Cotton, Ryan Edwards, (Morecambe). Released: William Beesley, Robbie Cotton, Ryan Edwards, Huge Fernandez Molina, Deniz Pero, Aaron Tumwa, Matthew Unwin.

## BLACKPOOL

Out: Chris Basham (Sheffield United), Neal Bishop (Scunthrope United), Kirk Broadfoot (Rotherham United), Mark Halstead (Shrewsbury Town), Chris Kettings (Crystal Palace), Craig Cathcart (Watford)Free, Released: Louis Almond, Anderson Banvo, Jake Caprice, James Caton, Michael Chopra, Adam Dodd, Robert Earnshaw, Nathan Eccleston, Elliot Grandin, Barry Ferguson Faris Haroun, Liam Tomsett, Nathan Tyson and Tony Warner

## **BOLTON WANDERERS**

In: Dorian Dervite (Charlton Athletic), Liam Feeney, Liam Trotter (Both Millwall), Andy Robinson (Southampton).



MOVE: Lewis Grabban.

Released: Zat Knight, Chris Eagles, Tyrone

## AFC BOURNEMOUTH

In: Dan Gosling (Newcastle United). Out: Lewis Grabban (Norwich City, Undisclosed), Shwan Jalal (Bury), Matt Tubbs (AFC Wimbledon, Loan).

## **BRENTFORD**

In: Alan Judge (Blackburn Rovers, Undisclosed) Out: Aaron Pierre (Wycombe Wanderers,

Undisclosed), Liam O'Brien (Dagenham & Redbridge), Shaleum Logan (Aberdeen). Clayton Donaldson (Birmingham City) Released: Farid El Alagui, Scott Barron

## **BRIGHTON & HOVE ALBION**

In: Nzuzi Toko (Grasshopper).
Out: Matthew Upson (Leicester City

Released: Peter Brezovan, Will Hoskins Tomasz Kuszczak, Andrea Orlandi, David Lopez, David Rodriguez,

## **CARDIFF CITY**

In: Guido Burgstaller (Rapid Vienna Undisclosed), Adam Le Fondre (Reading, Undisclosed), Javi Gueraa (Real Valladolid) Federico Macheda (Manchester United).

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# **Saints**Spotlight

Koeman the right man to

continue Saints' big plan

**NEW ERA:** Ronald

Koeman signs for

**Executive Gareth** 

Pic: Southampton FC

Rogers.

Saints watched by Les

Reed, left, and Chief

BRITISH-based freelance journalist RYAN FERGU-SON is a big fan of Dutch football in general and PSV Eindhoven in particular. Here, he tells Saints fans what they can expect from new boss Ronald Koeman.

## **EVERY Saints fan wants to know** more about Ronald Koeman, beyond the promise of passing football and enriched youth development.

They want to know what he

They want to know how he will attempt to play, and where he can lead the club.

As a PSV admirer of ten years, and self-confessed expert on football in Holland, I'm well-positioned to enlighten.

I strongly believe Saints supporters should share in Koeman's quiet opti-

With a manager of such proven quality in charge, there's plenty to be excited about.

Ronald is a genuine giant of the Dutch game.

The only man to represent Ajax, Feyenoord and PSV as both player and coach, Koeman is afforded respect throughout the Netherlands, for whom he famously played as a swashbuckling defender in the 1980s

Indeed, the Zaandam-born icon is highly-decorated, having won eight domestic titles,two European Cups fabled Championship during an illustrious 17-year playing career dominated by a successful spell with Barcelona.

Koeman was twice crowned Dutch Footballer of the Year and, as one of the top goalscoring defenders of alltime, truly embraced the essence of Total Football.

Ronald played with a typical Dutch freedom, streaking forward to score spectacular goals with incredible consistency

He fired a free-kick to secure the European Cup for Barca in 1992, and infamously thwarted England in the '94 World Cup qualifiers.

Such was his on-field brilliance, many overlook Ronald's re-incarnation as a coach of tremendous skill.

In 2001, he steered Vitesse Arnhem to a UEFA Cup berth on a minimal budget, before excelling as a titlewinning manager of Ajax and PSV.

Spells at Benfica, Valencia and AZ Alkmaar were less successful, but the 51-year old recently enhanced his reputation by hauling Feyenoord back from the wilderness with outside-the-box thinking, inspirational man-management and shrewd recruitment heavily-centred around the club's Varkenoord acade-

To that end, Koeman's Feyenoord, a youthful team of belief and bravery, became incredibly difficult to beat.

Ronald's brand of swift, assertive football carried them into the Champions League after many years

At Feyenoord, Koeman pioneered an effective 5-3-2 system which placed great emphasis on the attack-

ing quality of wing-backs Daryl Janmaat (who plays on the right) and Bruno Martins-Indi (on the left).

This versatile duo, so prominent in the Netherlands' recent World Cup dismantling of Spain, held considerable influence on how Feyenoord developed attacks.

Their direct, explosive approach made the Rotterdam club extremely dangerous in transitions, particularly away from home, where Koeman likes to have a clear outlet through which his team can relieve pressure and cause problems.

The core principles which worked splendidly at Feyenoord would, theoretically, translate to Southampton.

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In Nathaniel Clyne and Luke Shaw, the club is blessed with two exceptional wing-backs who, if unleashed like the mercurial defenders at De Kuip, could have a devastating impact.

They're quick, bold and adventur-0118

They're technically-proficient and intelligent.

They're young and gifted. Essentially, they're just the type of player Ronald Koeman loves to work

The type of player he seemingly always helps progress to the next

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level. Throughout his distinguished managerial career, the Dutchman helped choreograph the careers of young stars like Zlatan Ibrahimovic, Wesley Sneijder, Rafael van der Vaart, Ibrahim Afellay and David Silva.

In his last assignment with Feyenoord, Koeman moulded a strong team around a nucleus of homegrown players such as Jordy Clasie, Stefan de Vrij, Tonny Vilhena and Jean-Paul Boëtius, all of whom thrived under his tutelage and progressed quickly into the Dutch national squad.

Koeman takes an individualistic

approach to player development, helping improve different aspects of their game in accordance with his own vision.

For instance, in Jordy Clasie, he saw potential for leadership and, therefore, gave the player additional instruction to help tease that skill out

rose from promising Clasie prospect to club captain in just four

Koeman gets the best out of every player, not so much through pushing them as coaxing them along the path of progression.

Southampton hope he can trans-

plant that elusive skill and spearhead the ongoing efforts to transform Staplewood into a nerve-centre of world class production.

There's much more to Koeman's philosophy than exceptional youth development, however.

The new Saints boss played for Johan Cruyff, served an apprentice-ship with Guus Hiddink and schemed as assistant to Louis van Gaal before going solo in 2000.

He's learnt from the best, spent many hours listening to the grand professors of Dutch football, and

shaped his style accordingly. From Cruyff, Ronald received lec-

tures on the value of a strong youth system and a progressive brand of passing football.

From Hiddink, lessons on the finer art of winning.

And from van Gaal, the daring con-

fidence to invent any unorthodox method which may lead to success.

In the early years of his managerial career, Koeman set a surviving precedent for being creative and resourceful in pursuit of victory.
In 2002, he steered Ajax to a domes-

tic double in his first season at the helm, before delivering one further Eredivisie title playing attractive football in the time-honoured Amsterdam Way.

At PSV four years later, Koeman fashioned a team in his own image, with effective defending a primary concern matched with an eye for offensive artistry.

The Eindhoven giants clinched the league title by one goal on the final day, Koeman's side scoring 75 and conceding just 25 in 34 matches to pip Ajax on goal difference.

Saints fans will hope for similar balance this season.

The new manager works best at clubs which have a definitive plan.

Clubs which have sturdy foundations on which he can build.

Clubs which allow him to blend elements of his own philosophy with that already in place.

Thus, he was successful at Ajax and PSV, but struggled with Benfica, Valencia and AZ.

Koeman found those clubs to be fixated with winning, to the point of neglecting any coherent strategy he attempted to install.

Those clubs, prone to sporadic spending in frenetic pursuit of glory, lacked the long-term, highly-principled approach which Ronald craves and which so attracted him to Southampton.

Koeman expressed delight at finally finding a job befitting his ideals in England.

"I'm thrilled to be the manager of Southampton Football Club," he said shortly after signing a three-year contract.

"I could see clearly that this was the

right club for me.
"We share the same philosophy of football, and the same belief in how to develop the club."

In endeavouring to replace Mauricio Pochettino, a talented coach with sharp ideas about a new football age, Southampton weren't short on candidates.

But the erudite, dignified Ronald

Koeman topped the list.
His experience and ability make him an ideal leader to continue the steady evolution of an ambitious football club.

## CHAMPIONSHIP TRANSFERS **SUMMER 2014**

Out: Andrew Taylor (Wigan Athletic). Released: Craig Bellamy, Luke Coulson, Ronnie Hawkins, Simon Lappin, Tommy

## **CHARLTON ATHLETIC**

In: Zak Ansah (Arsenal), Yoni Buyens (Standard Liege, Loan).

Out: Dorian Dervite (Bolton Wanderers),

Danny Green (MK Dons), Ben Hamer (Leicester City).

Released: Ade Azeez, Jordan Cook, Leon Cort, Cedric Evina, Kevin Feely, Mark Gower, Bradley Jordan, Bradley Pritchard.

## **DERBY COUNTY**

In: Alban Bunjaku (Sevilla), Jonathan Mitchell (Newcastle United).

Out: Ben Davies (Sheffield United), Adam Legzdins (Leyton Orient), James O'Connor (Walsall).

Released: Valentin Gjokaj, Michael Hoganson, Callum Ball, Ross Atkins.

## **FULHAM**

In: Shaun Hutchinson (Motherwell), Adam Taggart (Newcastle Jets) Undisclosed, Out: Damien Duff (Melbourne City), Steve Sidwell (Stoke City), Josh Pritchard (Gillingham).

Released: Charles Banya, Derek Boateng,

Matt Briggs, Alexander Brister, Mahamadou Diarra, Neil Etheridge, John



FREE AGENT: Frazer Richardson, left.

Heitinga, Dino Islamovic, Georgios Karagkounis, Ronny Minkwitz, Max Oberschmidt, John Arne Riise.

## **HUDDERSFIELD**

In: Joe Murphy (Coventry City).
Out: Keith Southern (Fleetwood Town),
Calum Woods (Preston North End). Released: Peter Clarke, Ian Bennett, Chris Atkinson, Anton Robinson, Cristian Lopez, Paul Mullin.

## **IPSWICH TOWN**

Out: Carlos Edwards (Millwall). Scott Loach (Rotherham United).

Released: David October, Mark Timlin,

Jonathan Leddy, Tom Winter, Jordan Adekunle

## **LEEDS UNITED**

In: None.

Out: Lee Peltier (Huddersflield) Free Released: Jamie Ashdown, Michael Brown, El-Hadji Diouf, Adam Drury, Paul Green, Danny Pugh, Luke Varney

## **MIDDLESBROUGH**

Out: Matthew Dolan (Bradford City), Jayson Leutwiler (Shrewsbury Town).

Released: Jayson Leutwiler, Birger Meling,
Jake Fowler, Cameron Park, Stuart Parnaby, Frazer Richardson, Lewis Sirrell,

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## **CHAMPIONSHIP** TRANSFERS **SUMMER 2014**

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## MILL WALL

In: Lee Gregory (FC Halfiax, Undisclosed), Carlos Edwards (Ipswich). Bryon Webster

(Yeovil) Free,

Out: Liam Feeney (Bolton), Charlie Penny
(Welling United), Liam Trotter (Bolton).

Released: Shane Lowry, Andy Keogh, Liam Feeney, Jack Smith.

## **NORWICH CITY**

In: Lewis Grabban (Bournemouth, Undisclosed).

Out: Rod Young (Welling United). Released: Harry Barker, David Fox, Ewan McNeil, Carlo Nash.

## **NOTTINGHAM FOREST**

In: Lars Veldwijk (Excelsior, Undisclosed), Danny Fox (Southampton) Undisclosed, Matty Fryatt (Hull City).

Out: Matt Derbyshire (Rotherham), Wes
Thomas (Birmingham City).

Released: Simon Gillett, Gonzalo Jara, Guy

Moussi, Marcus Tudgay, Jonathan Greening, Ishmael Miller.



SWITCH: Danny Fox.

## READING

Out: Adam Le Fondre (Cardiff City, Undisclosed), Daniel Carrico (Sevilla, Loan). Released: Mikele Leigertwood, Wayne Bridge, Kaspars Gorkss, Jobi McAnuff, Stuart Taylor, D'Ath, Nick Arnold, Gozie

## **ROTHERHAM**

In: Jordan Bowery (Aston Villa, Undisclosed), Kirk Broadfoot (Blackpool), Matt Derbyshire (Nottingham Forest), Scott Loach (Ipswich Town), Conor Newton (Newcastle United), Mat Sadler (Crawley

Out: Nicky Adams (Bury, Undisclosed), James Cadman (Stalybridge Celtic), Danny Hylton (Oxford United)

Released: Michael O'Connor, Scott Shearer, Claude Davis, David Noble Kayode Odejayi, Lionel Ainsworth, Danny

## **SHEFF WED**

In: Paul McElroy (Hull City)Free,.
Out: Danny Mayor (Bury, Undisclosed),
Adam Davies (Barnsley), Taylor McKenzie

(Notts County).

Released: Jermaine Johnson, Reda
Johnson, David Prutton, Anthony Gardner, Miguel Llera, Martin Taylor, Adam Davies

## **WATFORD**

In: Heurelho Gomes (Tottenham Hotspur), Gabriel Tamas (Doncaster Rovers). Craig Cathcart (Blackpool)Free,

## **WIGAN ATHLETIC**

In: Andrew Taylor (Cardiff City) Out: Jordi Gomez (Sunderland), Danny Redmond (Hamilton Academical).

## **WOLVES**

In: Tommy Rowe (Peterborough United), Rajiv Van La Parra (Heerenveen).

Out: Michael Ihiekwe (Tranemere Rovers)

# **Saints**Spotlight



## THE vultures have been circling, and they are unlikely to go away this summer.

No sooner had Saints finished in a joint-best Premier League finish of eighth, then the big clubs started to flex financial muscles.

In came £20m plus bids from heavyweights Manchester United and Liverpool – the two most successful clubs in English football history — for pring agont Luke history – for prize assets Luke Shaw and Adam Lallana.

The World Cup arrived and they

remained Saints players.
That might not be exactly what

That might not be exactly what the players would have wanted, but it was good news for Saints. Selling Rickie Lambert to Liverpool was one thing. To have flogged off the crown jewels prior to the tournament in Brazil starting would have sent out all the wrong. sent out all the wrong signals.

As it was, no sooner were England knocked out and the squad back home then Shaw was in Manchester having a medical.

Lallana too, looks increasingly likely to follow Shaw out of St Marv's.

Those two players' heads and hearts will have been turned by the advances of two such famous

There is a football hierarchy, whether we like it or not. Some clubs will always be more

attractive to others

That is the way life is in football, in any elite level sport. And if they have the cash to back

up their history and traditions, then so much the better.

Let's turn the clock back to August 2009. Rickie Lambert and Dean

Hammond both left third division clubs, Bristol Rovers and Colchester respectively, to sign for a club bottom of their own tier. That club was, of course, Southampton Football Club.

A few months later, Jose Fonte left a Championship club to join a League 1 outfit.

Again, that club was Saints.

The St Mary's fanbase would never have accused any of those three players of showing a lack of ambition with regards to those transfers.

They would have argued that Saints provided a far better chance of success than Rovers, Colchester or Crystal Palace, and would have rewarded them better financially as well.

PRIZE ASSET: Luke Shaw playing for England in a World Cup warm up game against Ecuador. would have been proved conclusively right. and Shaw Lallana would view Liverpool and Manchester United in the same way that Lambert and Hammond saw Saints as a bigger club than Bristol Rovers and Colchester. That is not being disrespectful to Saints, in the same way that it is not being disrespectful to Colchester to say they are a smaller club than Saints.

foot-balling landscape has changed massively in the last 30 years, since Lawrie McMenemy's Saints finished runners-up to Liverpool in

old First Division. Twelve months earlier, in May 1983, Watford had finished ond

> behind Liverpool in their first ever top flight campaign. The 1980s saw the likes

of Oxford United, Luton,

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major clubs hoped would happen. In a nutshell, they have got rich-

er beyond their wildest dreams. Saints cannot complain at the

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three

games.

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times strug-

gled to attract

crowds of even

10,000 for league

Those scenarios

mentioned above will never happen

outcome.

After all, they were one of the clubs that voted for the creation of the Premier League in the first

As the Premier League has evolved into the remarkable cash cow it now is, so foreign businessbacked by Russian and Middle East money respectively – have been allowed to rack up monumental financial losses after buying their way to success.

Ever rising transfer fees, huge

salaries, stockpiling large squads ... that is the way the very top English clubs have been going about their business in recent

It has all created an obvious

imbalance, compared to the 1980s when Oxford United and Luton two teams who have recently experienced non league football - were able to drop icecubes down the vests of far more illustrious and wealthier clubs.

Then there is the Champions

There are four clubs capable of There are four clubs capable of offering a Champions League carrot to Luke Shaw, Adam Lallana, Rickie Lambert, Dejan Lovren or any other Saints player they are

Back in the 1980s, only the First Division champions entered the European Cup.

That was not enough for some. Some wanted to be greedy. Some wanted to put their fingers

in an increasingly larger pie. The end result was that 1996/97 was the last season that England only had the one representative in the tournament, which in 1992 had been renamed the Champions

There were two clubs in 1997/98 – Manchester United and Newcastle – and from 2002/03 England have had four representatives each sea-

Leave alone the fact that you don't have to be a champion club to enter the Champions League, there are now enormous sums on offer for those that reach the promised land.

Each of the four English clubs can rake in £20m just by finishing in the top four and competing in the main group stages.

Matt Le Tissier famously only ever played for Saints during his

Would that be the case if Le Tiss had played in the modern era for Southampton?

I repeat, for most of his career there was only one English club in the European Cup.

Lest we forget, for six years – from the start of 1985/86 to 1991/92 – there were no English clubs in Europe at all due to the post-Heysel Stadium ban.

Would Le Tiss have been able to

say 'no" had a Champions League carrot been dangled in front of him, if a £100,000 a week salary had been on the table?

Only he can answer that - and it is hypothetical to even ask the question – but it shows the vast gulf between his days and those we

now see played out in front of us. So much has changed, but two

things have remained constant.
Players will always want to play
for the biggest clubs in the coun-

try, and money always talks. Steve Williams left Saints in December 1984 when he was an England international at a club who had finished runners-up in the First Division the year before.

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## **LEAGUE ONE TRANSFERS SUMMER 2014**

## BARNSLEY

In: Kane Hemmings (Cowdenbeath), Conor

Released: Kelvin Etuhu, Emmanuel Frimpong, Bobby Hassell, Liam Lawrence, Paddy McCourt, Jordan Clark, John Cofie, Andrai Jones, Sam Patterson, McCauley Shillito, Erico Sousa, Jordan Tunnicliffe, Iain Turner, Martin Woods.

## **BRADFORD CITY**

In: Matthew Dolan (Middlesbrough), Billy Knott (Sunderland), Gary Liddle (Notts County), Alan Sheehan (Notts County).

Out: Shaun Hutchinson (Plymouth Argyle)
Kyel Reid (PNE) Free,

Released: Gary Jones, Garry Thompson, Matthew Bates, Louie Swain.

## **BRISTOL CITY**

Out: None.
Released: Louis Carey, Liam Fontaine, Marvin Elliott, Stephen Pearson,

## **CHESTERFIELD**

In: Daniel Jones (Port Vale).
Out: Jamie Devitt (Morecambe), Marc Richards (Northampton), Nathan Smith (Yeovil).

Released: Sam Togwell, Jamie Devitt, Matty Brown, Jacob Hazel.



MOVE: Ryan Dickson.

## COLCHESTER

Out: Ryan Dickson (Crawley Town), Mark Cousins (Dagenham & Redbridge), Brian Wilson (Oldham Athletic). Released: Shaun Phillips, Jordan

## **COVENTRY CITY**

In: None.
Out: Joe Murphy (Huddersfield Town).

## **CRAWLEY TOWN**

In: Lucas Akins (Portsmouth, Undisclosed), Im: Lucas Akiris (Fortsirilouri, Orlinsciosed), Jimmy Smith (Stevenage, Undisclosed), Ryan Dickson (Colchester United), Lanre Oyebanjo (York City), Brian Jensen (Bury), Gavin Tomlin (Port Vale), Out: Dannie Bulman (AFC Winbledon),

Mike Jones (Oldham Athletic), Paul Jones (Portsmouth), Mat Sadler (Rotherham United), Kyle McFadzean (MK Dons). Hamie

Proctor (Fleetwood) Free, Released: Billy Clarke, Mark Connolly, Paul Connolly, Gary Dicker, Rory Fallon, Louis John, Jonny Maddison, Alex Malins, Jonte Smith, Sergio Torres.

## **CREWE ALEXANDRA**

Out: Mark Ellis (Shrewsbury Town)

Released: Steve Phillips, Kelvin Mellor, AJ
Leitch-Smith, Abdul Osman.

## **DONCASTER ROVERS**

Out: Gabriel Tamas (Watford), Chris Brown (Blackburn Rovers), David Cotterill (Birmingham City)Free, Released: Jordan Binns, Evan Finnegan, Joshua Meade, Abdoulaye Meite, Billy Paynter, Chris Whincop.

## **LEAGUE ONE TRANSFERS**

FLEETWOOD TOWN In: Danny Andrews (Macclesfield Town, Undisclosed), Keith Southern (Huddersfield Town) Jamie Proctor (Crawley Town) Free, Out: Shaun Beeley (Morecambe).

## GILLINGHAM

In: Doug Loft (Port Vale), Aaron Morris (AFC Wimbledon), Jermaine McGlashan (Cheltenham), Glenn Morris (Aldershot), Josh Pritchard (Fulham). (Alorshot), Josh Pritchard (Fulham).

Out: Bayo Akinfenwa (AFC Wimbledon), Adam Birchall
(Bromley), Harry Grant (Bromley), Sam Mluggleton
(Barnet), Myles Weston (Southend United).
Released: Sam Baxter, George Howard, Gary Borrowdal
, Joe Carter, Craig Fagan, Steven Gregory, Charlie Lee,
Nathan Nyaffi.

## LEYTON ORIENT

Out: Jamie Jones (Preston North End), Robbie Simpson (Cambridge United)

MK DONS In: Danny Green (Charlton Athletic), Kyle McFadzean

(Crawley Town).

Out: Luke Chadwick (Cambridge United). Stephen Gleeson (Birmingham City), Alan Smith (Notts County). Released: Izale McLeod.

## NOTTS COUNTY

In: Taylor McKenzie (Sheffield Wednesday), Hayden Mullins (Birmingham City), Liam Noble (Carlisle United), Alan Smith (MK Dons).
Out: Jamal Campbell-Pyce (Sheffield United), Julian Kelly (Spading United), Gary Liddle (Notts County), Alan Shebelo (Piednesd City), And Usenated (Piednesd City).

Sheehan (Bradford City). Andy Hayworth(Chelenham)Free Released: Manny Smith, Dean Leacock, Gareth Roberts, Mark Fotheringham, Andre Boucaud, Malcolm Melvin. Enoch Showunmi, Adam Coombes, Romello Nangle

OLDHAM ATHLETIC
In: Mike Jones (Crawley Town), Joseph Mills (Burnley),
Brian Wilson (Colchester United).
Out: Glenn Bezika (Stockyort County), Jonathan
Grounds (Birmingham City), James Wesolowski

(Shrewsbury Town). Released: Charlie MacDonald, Kirk Millar, Danny Gosset,

## PETERBOROUGH

In: Jon Taylor (Shrewsbur) Town, Undisclosed), Erhun Oztumer (Dulwich Hamlet), Gabriel Zakuani (Kalloni FC). Out: Nathaniel Knight-Percival (Shrewsbury Town), Tommy Rowe (Nolves). Released: Daniel Kearns, Nat Knight-Percival, Craig

Alcock, Peter Grant

## PORT VALE

In: Colin Daniel (Mansfield Town),
Out: Jordan Hugill (Preston North End, Undisclosed), Ben
Jefford (Welling United), Daniel Jones (Chesterfield), Doug
Loft (Gillingham), Jennison Myrie-Williams (Scunthorpe
United), Gavin Tornlin (Crawley Town), Kaid Mohamed
Northomated Lenni (Northampton, Loan). Released: Liam Chilvers, Anthony Griffith, Rob Taylor.

Retired: Chris Shuker.

## PRESTON NORTH END

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In: Jordan Hugill (Port Vale, Unisclosed), Jamie Jones
(Leyton Orient), Calum Woods (Huddersfield Town), Andy
Little (Rangers). Kyel Raid (Bradford)Free,
Out: Shane Cansells-Sherriff (Burton Albion), John
Mousinho (Burton Albion)

Released Misley Wes Cansells (Port

Released: Nicky Wroe, Graham Cummins, Ryan Croasdale, Chris Beardsley, Alex Nicholson.

## ROCHDALE

In: Jack Muldoon (Workspop, Undisclosed).

Released: Godwin Abadaki, Peter Cavanagh, Reece Gray, Craig Lynch, George Porter, Robbie Thomson.

SCUNTHORPE In: Neal Bishop (Blackpool), Jennison Myrie-Williams (Port

Out: Matt Godden (Ebbsfleet United), Paul Hayes

(Wycombe Wanderers). Released: Christian Ribeiro, Michael Collins, Paul Hayes, Etienne Esajas, Andy Welsh, Connor Jennings, Jamie Wootton, George Grayson.

In: Marc McNulty (Livingston, Undisclosed), Chris Basham (Blackpool), Andy Butter (Walsall), Jamal Campbell-Ryce (Notts County), Ben Davies (Derby County), James Wallace (Tranmere Rovers).

Out: Sean McGinty (Rochdale).
Released: John Mousinho, Shaun Miller, Matt Hill, Darryl

Westlake, Elliott Whitehouse, Jasper Johns, Jordan

Out: Lee Cox (Plymouth).
Released: Dany N'Guessan, Aaron Oakley, Kayden Jackson, Alex Smith, Leigh Bedwell, Mark Francis, Lee Cox, Alex Ferguson, Jay McEveley, Paul Benson.

## WALSALL

hr: Tom Bradshaw (Shrewsbury Town, Undisclosed), Craig MacGillivray (Harrogate Town, Undisclosed), James O'Connor (Derby County).
Out: Andy Butler (Sheffield United).
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Released: Nicky Featherstone, Troy Hewitt, James McQuilkin, Craig Westcarr, Ben George, Danny Griffiths, Shane Lewis, Liam Roberts

## YEOVII TOWN

In: Aaron Martin (Birmingham City), Nathan Smith

(Chesterfield).
Out: Bryin Webster (Milwall)Free,
Released: Jamie McAllister, Joe Jones, Ruben Palazuelos,

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## August 16 - Liverpool (away)



ner last September gave Saints their fifth league success at Anfield in 39 attempts. Other Premier League wins came in 1997/98 and 2003/04. The Reds have won 25 times – including a 7-1 victory in January 1999 – nine draws.

## August 23 - WBA (home)



ADAM Lallana gave Saints their 16th home win in 31 league attempts against the Baggies last February.

West Brom have only ever won three times at The Dell or St Mary's. with their last victory a 3-0 triumph in April 2013 when Saints had Danny Fox and Gaston Ramirez sent off.

## August 30 - West Ham (away)



MAYA Yoshida, left, headed Saints into the lead at Upton Park last season.

But Saints went on to lose 3-1, their 25th league loss at the Hammers in 45 games.

Saints have won 11 times, the last a 1-0 success in December 2002 when James Beattie scored.

## September 13 - Newcastle (home)



SAINTS their fine home league record against Newcastle with a 4-0 victory last March.
Jay Rodriguez, left,

was among the goals as Saints recorded their best ever home victory over the Toon Army.

In all, Saints have won 23 times in 38 league games on home soil, with Newcastle winning just four.

## September 20 – Swansea (away)



RICKIE Lambert's last minute winner last April gave Saints their seventh success Swansea from attempts.

Saints have never let in a Premier League goal at the Liberty, having drawn 0-0 there in April 2013.

## September 27 - QPR (home)



GASTON Ramirez scored when Saints were surprisingly beaten 2-1 at home by Harry Redknapp's QPR in March 2013.

Rangers have a good record on Saints soil, with 10 wins at The Dell and St Mary's – only three less than Saints have recorded in 34

## October 4 – Tottenham (away)



SAINTS will be aiming to put one over on forboss Mauricio Pochettino at White Hart Lane.

The last of Saints' nine league wins from 52 trips to Spurs came in September 2003, when James Beattie scored twice.

Spurs have won 33 times, including coming from 0-2 down to triumph 3-2 last March.

## October 18 - Sunderland (home)



JOSE Fonte is pictured celebrating his late leveller in last August's 1-1 St Mary's draw with Sunderland.

Sunderland have only won five times in 25 league trips to Saints, with the hosts bagging 15 successes.

Saints have not beaten the Black Cats in four league meetings since the start of 2012/13, and also lost twice in the cups to them last term.

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## October 25 - Stoke City (home)



JAY Rodriguez is pictured celebrating Steven Davis' goal in last season's 2-2 home draw against Stoke.

That was only the fifth draw in 32 league meetings in Hampshire. Saints have 20 wins to their name, but have drawn all four games against the Potters since the start of 2012/13.

## November 1 - Hull City (away)



JOSE Fonte celebrates his goal in Saints' victory on Humberside last season.

That was the club's sixth league win at Hull from 25 attempts, with the hosts boasting nine victories.

## November 8 - Leicester (home)



Ex-Saint Matt Mills, pictured, was on target when Nigel Pearson's Foxes last visited St Mary's – for a 2-0 Championship win in January 2012.

That was Leicester's third win in 35 league games at Saints, with the hosts having won 19 times

## November 22 - Aston Villa (away)



SAINTS have won six times in 34 league visits to Villa Park, with Rickie Lambert's penalty giving them a 1-0 success in January 2013.

Villa have 16 wins, but last season's game was a tame 0-0 stalemate.

## November 29 - Man City (home)



Dani Osvaldo's superb goal – his last for the club – gave Saints a point against the eventual champions last December.

December.

Saints have 16 wins from 36 home league games, with City having won nine.

## December 2 - Arsenal (away)



SAINTS' record at Arsenal is dreadful, with just two wins and 23 defeats in 37 league matches.

Last season keeper Artur Boruc was caught in possession, allowing Olivier Giroud to score the first of his two goals in a 2-0 Emirates win.

## December 6 - Man Utd (home)



RICKIE Lambert's goal on the final day of last season saw Saints draw with United on home soil for the 14th time in 47 matches.

Saints have 16 wins – the last a 1-0 success in August 2003, James Beattie scoring – one less than United.

## December 13 - Burnley (away)



M O R G A N Schneiderlin's goal gave Saints a 1-1 draw at Turf Moor during their 2011/12 Championship promo-

tion campaign.
Saints have won five times in 23 league trips to the Clarets, with Burnley having won 14.

## December 20 - Everton (home)



TWO own goals last April gave Saints an 18th league home win over the Toffees in 40 matches.

Everton have managed 11 wins in that time.

## December 26 - C Palace (away)



JAY Rodriguez's goal last March gave Saints an 11th league win at Selhurst Park.

That is only two fewer than Palace have managed from 31 matches.

# Players are powerless to resist the big clubs

From page 7
He joined Arsenal, the club he had supported as a boy, for a then Arsenal record fee of £550,000.

That was almost six years after Trevor Francis had become British football's first £1m player. His fee illustrates the difference in

His fee illustrates the difference in football finance back then and now. Danny Wallace left Saints in 1989 to join Manchester United, at the time below Saints in the First Division and who would end the season below Saints.

But United were still a bigger club at the time, so Wallace's decision was a no brainer for him

was a no brainer for him.

He subsequently won FA Cup and
European Cup Winners Cup medals,
so no Saints fan can ever say he was
wrong to leave.

Money wise, who remembers Mark Wright leaving Saints in the summer of 1987?

An established England international, Wright joined newly promoted Derby for a then Rams record fee of £760.000.

Derby, at the time bankrolled by Daily Mirror owner Robert Maxwell, also sweet-talked England keeper Peter Shillton into leaving The Dell and returning to the East Midlands

and returning to the East Midlands.
Maxwell's money talked back then.
Saints were to finish above the
Rams in 1987/88, but the following
season Derby finished fifth in the
First Division.

Wright's transfer fee was big news back then – in 1987 the world transfer record fee was only £5m (Diego Maradona, Barcelona to Napoli, 1984).

For their part, Saints didn't splash out £700,000 on any player until March 1989 when they bought Barry Horne from neighbouring Pompey.

Rickie Lambert is by no means the first big name player to leave Saints since the turn of the millennium. But all the brightest lights have

But all the brightest lights have gone to bigger clubs.

Lambert and Peter Crouch have

gone to Liverpool, Theo Walcott and Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain have gone to Arsenal, Dean Richards and Gareth Bale have gone to Tottenham, James Beattie has gone to Everton and Wayne Bridge has gone to Chelsea.

And like Danny Wallace before him, Luke Shaw has gone to Manchester United.

I have read some comments from Saints fans on message boards saying why has Mauricio Pochettino moved to White Hart Lane as Tottenham are not a bigger club than Saints.

They are a bigger club.
Not massively bigger –
Tottenham's crowds are only a few

thousand higher and they have only won one major trophy in the last 20 years – but they are bigger nonetheless.

Saints have only finished above Tottenham twice since the formation of the Premier League, in 2001 and 2003.

They last finished above Everton in 2004, last finished above Chelsea and Arsenal in 1995, and last finished above Manchester United in 1990.

1990.
Saints have never finished above Liverpool in the league at all.

So when Saints' top stars do leave, they leave for some of the best clubs in the country.

in the country.

Though it might not feel that way,
Saints fans should not be unhappy
with that state of play.
If their top players left to join West

If their top players left to join West Bromwich Albion, Aston Villa or West Ham, that would be different. That would be cause for concern.

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# **LEAGUE TWO**

## ACCRINGTON STANLEY

Out: Peter Murphy (Wycombe Wanderers). Released: Luke Clark, George Miler, Danny Webber, Laurence Wilson.

## BURTON ALBION

In: Lucas Akins (Stevenage, Undisclosed), Shane Cansdell-Sherriff (Preston North End), John Mousinho (Preston North End), George

Taff (Leicester City).
Out: Zander Diamond (Northampton Town),
Chris Hussey (Bury).

## BURY

In: Nicky Adams (Rotherham, Undisclosed), Ryan Lowe (Tranmere, Undisclosed), Danny Mayor (Sheffield Wednesday, Undisclosed), Chris Hussey (Burton Albion), Shwan Jalal (Bournemouth), Keil O'Brien (Chorley).
Out: Brian Jensen (Crawley Town), Joe Skarz (Rotherham United).
Released: Marcus Marshall, Mark Carrington,

Released: Marcus Marshai, mark Carmigton, Efe Sodje, Mark Hughes, Max Harrop, Carl Regan, Christian Dibble, Euan Holden, Jordan Melia, Dalton McLaughlin, David Healy, Cameron Belford, Craig Fagan, Tom Soares,

## CAMBRIDGE UNITED

In: Johnny Hunt (Wrexham, Compensation), Luke Chadwick (MK Dons), Robbie Simpson (Leyton Orient). Out: Ashley Chambers (Dagenham &

Redbridge), Blaine Hudson (Wrexham), Alex Pugh (Dartford).

## CARLISLE UNITED

In: Danny Grainger (Dunfermline Athletic), Antony Sweeney (Hartlepool United) Out: Liam Noble (Notts County). Released: Prince Buaben, Chris Chantler, Pascal Chimbonda, Mike Edwards, Greg Fleming, Lewis Guy, Danny Livesey, Jack Lynch, Lee Miller, Nacho Novo .

## CHELTENHAM TOWN

In: Asa Hall (Shrewsbury Town), Lee Vaughan (Kidderminster), Paul Black (Mansfield) Free, Andy Hayworth (Notts County)Free, Out: Scott Brown (Aberdeen, Undisclosed), Jermaine McGlashan (Gillingham), Ashley Vincent (Shrewsbury Town).
Released: Sam Deering, Sido Jombati, Ashley Vincent Ed Williams

## DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE

In: Nathan Green (Tonbridge Angels, Undisclosed), Ashley Chambers (Cambridge United), Mark Cousins (Colchester United), Liam O'Brien (Brentford), Damian Batt (Unattached) Out: Femi Ilesanmi (York City), Alex Osborn (Ebbsfleet United). Released: Chris Lewington.

## EXETER CITY

Out: Matt Gill (Tranmere Rovers) Released: Jacob Cane, Elliott Chamberlain, Artur Krysiak, John O'Flynn, Sam Parkin, Alan Gow. Jacob Wannell.

## HARTLEPOOL UNITED

Out: Antony Sweeney (Carlisle United). Released: Zak Boagey, Andy Monkhouse, Greg Rutherford, Simon Walton.

## LUTON TOWN

In: Ross Lafayette (Welling United). Out: None.
Released: Anthony Charles, Jon Shaw, David

## MANSFIELD TOWN In: Alex Fisher (AC Monza), Luke Jones

(Stevenage), Liam Hearn (Grimsby Town). Out: Colin Daniel (Port Vale), Paul Black (Cheltenham) Free, Released: Paul Black, Ian Deakin, Ross Dyer, Ben Hutchinson, James Jennings, Keiran Murtagh, George Pilkingon, Godfrey Poku, Jake Speigh, Lee Stevenson.

MORECAMBE

In: Shaun Beeley (Fleetwood), Jamie Devitt In: Shadh Deeple (neewood), darine bevilt (Chesterfield), Ryan Edwards (Blackburn). Out: None. Released: Tony Diagne, Chris McCready, Joe Mwasile, Robbie Threlfall.

## NEWPORT COUNTY

In: Darren Jones (AFC Wimbledon), Yan Klukowski (Forest Green). Out: David Pipe (Forest Green Rovers), Harry Worley (Stevenage). Realesed: Ryan Burge.

## NORTHAMPTON TOWN

In: Zander Diamond (Burton Albion), Marc Continued on facing page

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## December 28 - Chelsea (home)



New Year's Day was their 16th league win on soil attempts.

Saints have won 13 times, the last a 2-1 victory in March 2013.

## January 1 - Arsenal (home)



SAINTS have won 14 times on home soil in 37 league attempts against the Gunners.

Arsenal have also won 14, but the last two games have been draws including an exciting 2stalemate January after Jose Fonte, left, had given Saints the lead.

## January 10 - Man Utd (away)



SAINTS' 1-1 draw at Old Trafford last October gained with a last minute equaliser from Adam Lallana – was their first point there since 1999.

In all, Saints managed seven from 47 trips, but have suffered 31 defeats

## January 17 - Newcastle (away)



SAINTS have managed just four wins in 38 league trips Tyneside.

The Toon have 28, but Jay Rodriguez's leveller last December gave Saints a sixth

## January 31 - Swansea (home)



defeated 2-0 at St Swansea Mary's last September -Adam Lallana is pictured celebrating his strike – their 22nd win in 31 league games on hoke soil.

The Swans have managed just four wins.

## February 7 - QPR (away)



RICKIE Lambert, left, bravely headed a goal as Saints won 3-1 Loftus Road in November 2012.

That was the club's 12th league win at Rangers, who have 14 successes in 34 games.

## February 10 - West Ham (home)



SAINTS played out a drab 0-0 draw with Ham West September, the 15th draw in 45 league games on home soil.

Saints have 20 wins, the last a 1-0 success in Championship promotion winning campaign.

## February 21 - Liverpool (home)



SAINTS have won 18 times on home soil from games against Liverpool.

But Luis Suarez was on target when the Reds won 3-0 last season, their 12th victory at The Dell or St Mary's.

## February 28 - West Brom (away)



RICKIE Lambert's last minute penalty, pictured, on the opening day of last season gave Saints their sixth win in 31 league trips to The Hawthorns.

The Baggies have tri-umphed 18 times.

## March 3 - C Palace (home)



DANI Osvaldo, pictured, scored his first Saints goal in a 2-0 win over Palace September.

That was Saints' 20th win in 31 home league games, with Palace managing just four suc-

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## March 14 – Chelsea (away)



JAY Rodriguez gave Saints the lead at Stamford Bridge last December inside 13 sec-

Saints unable to claim an 11th league win in 40 attempts at Chelsea, who went on to collect their 16th success.

## March 21 - Burnley (home)



SAINTS defeated the Clarets 2-0 in their 2011/12 Championship promotion season.
That was their 11th

win in 23 league games on home soil, with Burnley having won

## April 4 - Everton (away)



GASTON Ramirez, pictured, scored Saints' consolation in last December's 2-1 defeat.

That was their 28th loss at Goodison Park in 40 attempts, with winning just Saints

## April 11 - Hull City (home)



ADAM Lallana, pictured, scored a stunning individual goal as Saints caned the Tigers 4-1 last November.

That was the club's 14th home win in 25 attempts, with Hull managing just three.

## April 18 - Stoke City (away)



JAY Rodriguez's leveller, pictured, gave Saints an eighth draw from 32 league trips to Stoke last season.

Saints have seven times, with the hosts winning 17.

## April 25 - Tottenham (home)



SPURS' 3-2 win at St Mary's last December was their 12th in 51 league trips to Saints.

Saints have won 23, the last a 1-0 success in March 2005.

## May 2 - Sunderland (away)



SAINTS' 2-2 draw last January was their sixth stalemate from trips league Sunderland.

Saints have won six times, the last a 1-0 victory in January 2003. The hosts have 11 wins.

## May 9 - Leicester (away)



SAINTS lost 3-2 on their last visit to the King Power Stadium in August 2011 – their 16th loss from 35 league visits to Leicester.

Saints have won eight times, the last a 4-0 victory in December 2001.

## May 16 - Aston Villa (home)



VILLA'S surprise 3-2 win at St Mary's last December Osvaldo, pictured, was on target for the hosts was their ninth in 33 trips league Southampton.

Saints have won 14, including a 4-1 success in September 2012.

## May 24 - Man City (away)



SAINTS have a good record at City, with 10 wins from 36 games.

City's 4-1 success last April, their 15th victory, was overshadowed by the serious knee injury Rodriguez.

## **LEAGUE TWO** TRANSFERS **SUMMER 2014**

Out: , Matty Harriott (Welling United). Released: Alan Connell, Gary Deegan, Claudio Dias, JJ Hooper, Ben McNamara, Leon McSweeney, Joe Widdowson.

## **OXFORD UNITED**

In: Danny Hylton (Rotherham United). Out: James Constable (Eastleigh), Deane Smalley (Plymouth Argyle).

PLYMOUTH ARGYLE In: Lee Cox (Swindon Town), Peter Hartley (Stevenage), Deane Smalley (Oxford United), Shaun Hutchinson (Bradford City).
Out: Jamie Richards (Linfield, Loan), Conor Hourihane (Barnslev).

Released: Maxime Blanchard, Luke Young, Jake Cole, Rommy Boco, Matt Parsons, Neal Trotman, Isaac Vassell,

## PORTSMOUTH

In: Nigel Atangana (Havant & Waterlooville, Undisclosed), Danny Hollands (Portsmouth), Paul Jones (Crawley Town), James Dunne (Stevenage)Free, Michael Poke (Torquay) Free Out: Lucas Akins (Crawley Town, Undisclosed), Simon Ferry (Dundee), Jake Jervis (Notts

Released: George Branford, Ashley Harris, Jake Jervis, Yassin Moutaouakil, Marcos Painter, Thery Racon, Phil Smith, Liam Triggs, Josh Warren

SHREWSBURY TOWN In: James Collins (Hibernian, Undisclosed), Mark Ellis (Crewe Alexandra), Mark Halstead (Blackpool), Nathaniel Knight-Percival (Peterborough United), James Wesolowski (Oldham Athletic), Jayson Leutwiler (Middlesbrough), Scott Vernon (Aberdeen), Mickey Demetriou (Kidderminster Harriers), Ashley Vincent (Cheltenham Town). Out: Tom Bradshaw (Walsall, Undisclosed), Jon. Taylor (Peterborough United, Undisclosed), Asa Hall (Cheltenham Town). Released: Joe Anyon, Joe Jacobson, Alex

McQuade, Paul Parry, Luke Summerfield, Chris

## SOUTHEND UNITED

In: Myles Weston (Gillingham), Lee Barnard (Southampton) Free, Out: Anthony Straker (York City), Mark Phillips (AFC Wimbledon). Released: Ryan Auger, Luke Chambers, Bedsente Gomis, Marc Laird.

In: Dean Wells (Braintree, £25,000), Sam Beasant (Woking), Andy Bond (Chester), Harry Worley (Newport County), Calvin Zola (Aberdeen).

Out: Jimmy Smith (Crawley, Undisclosed), Lucas Akins (Burton Albion, Undisclosed), Jordan Burrow (Lincoln City), Peter Hartley (Plymouth Argeyle), Luke Jones (Mansfield Town), Craig Reid (Kidderminster Harriers), Sam Wedgbury (Forest Green Rovers), James Dunne (Portsmouth)Free,

Released: Steve Arnold, Matt Ball, Anthony Furlonge, Michael Thalassitis, Oumare Tounkara, Francois Zoko, Dani Lopez.

TRANMERE ROVERS
In: Matt Gill (Exeter City), Elliot Richards (Bristol Rovers), Michael Ihiekwe (Wolves). Out: Ryan Lowe (Bury, Undisclosed), Ash Taylor (Aberdeen, Undisclosed), Jason Mooney

Released: Jean-Louis Akpa Akpro, Ian Goodison, Callum Morris.

## AFC WIMBLEDON

In: Bayo Akinfenwa (Gillingham), Mark Phillips (Southend United), Matt Tubs (Bournemouth,

Out: Seb Brown (Bromley), Darren Jones (Newport), Jack Midson (Eastleigh), Luke Moore (Margate), Aaron Morris (Gillingham). Released: Will Antwi, Peter Sweeney, Charlie Strutton, Rhys Weston, Callum Kennedy.

## WYCOMBE WANDERERS

In: Aaron Pierre (Brentford, Undisclosed), Paul Hayes (Scunthorpe), Peter Murphy (Accrington

Out: Reece Styche (Kidderminster Harriers). Released: Lee Angol, Jesse Kewley-Graham, Jo Kuffour, Anthony Jeffrey, Leon Johnson, Dean Morgan, Jon-Paul Pittman, Matt Spring

## YORK CITY

In: Jake Hyde (Barnet, Undisclosed), Femi llesanmi (Dagenham & Redbridge), Anthony Straker (Southend United). Out: Larre Oyebanjo (Crawley Town). Released: Sander Puri, Adam Reed, Calvin Andrew, Tom Allan, Chris Dickinson, Shaq

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# Premier League ins and outs 2014

## **Arsenal**

ln:

Out: Lukasz Fabianski (Swansea City) Free, Bacary Sagna (Manchester City) Free. Released: Chuks Aneke, Nicklas Bendtner, Chu Young Park.

## **Aston Villa**

In: Tom Leggett (Saints) Free, Isaac Nehemie (Saints) Free, Philippe Senderos (Valencia) Free, Joe Cole (West Ham) Free. Out: Marc Albrighton (Leicester City)

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Released: Nathan Delfouneso

## **Burnley**

In Out: Released - David Edgar, Brian Stock, Keith Treacy, Nick Liversedge.

## Chelsea

In: Cesc Fabregas (Barcelona) Undisclosed.

Out: Tomas Kalas (Cologne) Loan. Released: Ashley Cole, Samuel Eto'o, Henrique Hilario, Sam Hutchinson, Frank Lampard, Mark Schwarzer.

## **Crystal Palace**

In: Chris Kettings (Blackpool) Free Out: Kagisho Dikgacoi (Cardiff City) Free Released: Neil Alexander, Marouane

Released: Neil Alexander, Marouane Chamakh, Daniel Gabbidon, Dean Moxey, Jonathan Parr, Aaron Wilbraham.

## **Everton**

In

Out: Released - Mason Springthorpe, Apostolos Vellios.

## **Hull City**

In: Jake Livermore (Tottenham) £8m Out: Matty Fryatt (Nottingham Forest) Free, Conor Henderson (Crawley) Free

Released: Joe Dudgeon, Abdoulaye Faye, Eldin Jakupovic, Robert Koren.

## **Leicester City**

In: Jack Barmby (Manchester United) Free, Matthew Upson (Brighton and Hove Albion) Free, Ben Hamer (Charlton Athletic) Free, Marc Albrighton (Aston Villa) Free. Out: George Taft (Burton Albion) Free, Lloyd Dyer (Watford) Free, Zac Whitbread (Derby, fre) Released: Marko Futacs.

## Liverpool

In: Rickie Lambert (Saints) Undisclosed. Out: Luis Alberto (Malaga, Ioan) Out: Released - Michael Ngoo, Stephen Sama.

## **Manchester City**

In: Bacary Sagna (Arsenal) Free, Fernando (Porto) £12m. Out: Costel Pantilimon (Sunderland) Free, Joleon Lescott (WBA) Free. Released: Gareth Barry, Alex Nimely.

## **Manchester United**

In: Ander Herrera (Athletico Bilbao)

Out: Federico Macheda (Cardiff City) Free, Jack Barmby (Leicester City) Free, Nemanja Vidic (Inter Milan) Free, Alex Buttner (Dynamo Moscow) undisclosed. Released: Rio Ferdinand, Ryan Giggs

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## IT seems that all sporting geniuses have their flaws.

They continually seem to live on the edge, the very essence of their brilliance depending on treading a fine line between amazing and insane.

In some it manifests itself away from the field of play with women, booze and goodness knows what else.

For others the very character of their game in their chosen sport is dictated entirely by it.

Luis Suarez is without doubt one such example of the latter.

example of the latter.

He is, to state the obvious, a wonderful footballer.

He has been Adam Rant's favourite player to watch by some considerable margin over the past couple of years. On the occasions he has played against Saints you could only sit and marvel at his brilliance.

His talent is quite overwhelming, but more than that he is passionate and committed and does as much running as anybody you'll see in such a forward role.

Suarez often has the attitude that he will drag his entire team along with him to victory if that's what it needs.

But that same will to win, that same hunger and desire, can push him over the edge.

With Suarez it has manifested itself in the ugliest of ways.
He now has three bans to his collection for

He now has three bans to his collection for biting opponents and one for racial abuse.

That is a pretty sorry state of affairs. To bite somebody once is weird behaviour. To do it twice suggests a mental health



**TASTY:** Luis Suarez gets his teeth into Italian defender Giorgio Chiellini.

issue. A third time is off the scale.

What it shows is not only that Suarez has a serious problem somewhere along the line, but more importantly he does not learn from his mistakes.

from his mistakes.

That is probably the most damning verdict on him as a person.

We all make mistakes in life. Thankfully for most of us they are not in the full glare of the media spotlight.

But the way we move on is that we accept we did something wrong and learn from it and endeavour not to repeat our errors in the future. Suarez has certainly not managed that. And what has been even more depressing is this bizarre attempt to pretend that he didn't actually bite somebody at all.

It was pretty clear on the video evidence that it was a bite rather than brushing against a shoulder or whatever the excuse was.

Suarez has rightly got a long ban, and from worldwide competition. There has been a lot of debate

over the four month duration, but for Adam Rant it is about right.

Or at least to say realistic.

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Like anyone who has played an awful lot of football down the years,
Adam Rant has seen his fair share of horror tackles and been on the end of one or two.

Thankfully most have not resulted in anything more serious than bad bruising, cuts and a few days of hobbling around, but some have not been so lucky.

Some of those cowardly two footed chal-

Some of those cowardly two footed challenges, or worse still those stamps downwards towards an opponent's leg, are truly sickening.

These are the offences that deserve far longer bans than are ever dished out.

Repeat offenders should also face similar punishments to Suarez.

In the grand scheme of things what Suarez did was not actually that bad. It was just a bit disturbed because in civilised society we

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# **Adam** Rant





don't go around biting other peo-

The ban seemed to take all of the

above into account, that the image of the game had been tarnished and

after three attempts Suarez had to

be treated more harshly.

There have been questions over

whether we really want somebody

like this in sport, in that spotlight.

The reality is we treat them like idols and heroes when all they actually do is kick a ball around a rectangle of grass. For that we also pay

And we accept their flaws and character deficiencies, because ultimately we don't

If an opponent does it, it's high treason, if it's one of our team then every-body should get over it as it wasn't a

It's the way it's always been.

The truth is that we love sport for those flashes of brilliance and genius

that make us gasp in shock and admira-

tion and look again in case our eyes

We know that often to have that amaz-

ing ability comes with some kind of character flaw as well because we've seen it

countless times before, and in the end we forgive it because what we get in return is

As long as we have that attitude then we

have to accept the Suarez ban for what it is. Secretly, none of us want to be denied

watching him for too long no matter what

them countless millions.

deceived us.

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care as long as our team wins.

Now the tournament really gets going...

THE group stages of the World Cup have certainly thrown up a few surprises, but expect them to be fewer and further between now.

When it gets to the knockout stages the big boys really step it up a gear and the minnows, ecstatic to just make it beyond their groups, often find it all a little too much.

They always say you are better to warm into a major tournament than to start it

But either way the form of a few of the

nations is looking a little ominous. What will be interesting though will be to see whether attack wins out over defence

So many of the better teams are wonderfully talented going forwards but have looked very suspect at the back.

There are though a couple of sides who have relied on just one or two goalscorers in the main, but been very solid in

Adam Rant rather fancies that one of them might do very well indeed.

# Time to call it a day for Gerrard?

WITH the England squad back home there has been a lot of speculation as to whether Steven Gerrard and Frank Lampard will retire from international football. Hopefully they will continue to make themselves available for as long as Roy Hodgson wants them, if indeed he does want them again. But there has been some revision-

They have been loyal servants for their country and for that they

To make out they have been something truly exceptional though is wrong.

They played in a generation of players about as talented as England



stages coming to an end is that every match will be exciting at some point. Even if it takes 120 minutes of dull

There has been no such story in some of the other matches.

Though this has been a great World Cup so far, so colourful and vibrant, such great players on display and that wonderful South American attacking flair lighting up several groups, there

have been some stinkers as well. Adam Rant has been charged with watching a few of the more obscure games of the tournament with a Saints player in them.

And if anybody wanted a prime example of what the World Cup is not about then I present Japan's goalless draw with Greece, possibly the most tedious game of football ever staged. At least now we are guaranteed thrills and excitement with every fixture with

## **Premier League** ins and outs 2014

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## **Newcastle United**

In: Ayoze Perez (Tenerife) Undisclosed, Jack Colback (Sunderland) Free. Out: Conor Newton (Rotherham United) Free, Dan Gosling (Bournemouth). Released: Shola Ameobi, Michael

## **Queens Park Rangers**

Out:

## **SAINTS**

Out: Andy Robinson (Bolton Wanderers) Free, Tom Leggett (Aston Villa) Free, Isaac Nehemie (Aston Villa) Free, Danny Fox (Nottingham Forest) Free, Rickie Lambert (Liverpool) undisclosed, Lee Barnard (Southend free) Released: Guly do Prado, Jonathan

## **Stoke City**

In: Phil Bardsley (Sunderland) Free, Steve Sidwell (Fulham) Free, Mame Biram Diouf (Hannover) Free, Dionatan Teixeira (Banska Bystrica) Undisclosed.

Out: Released - Juan Agudelo, Matthew Etherington.

## Sunderland

In: Jordi Gomez (Wigan Athletic) Free, Billy Jones (West Bromwich

Albion) Free, Costel Pantilimon (Manchester City) Free.

Out: Billy Knott (Bradford City) Free, Phil Bardsley (Stoke City) Free, Craig Gardner (West Bromwich Albion) Free, Jack Colback (Newcastle United) Free. Released: Carlos Cuellar, Andrea

Dossena, John Egan, Oscar Ustari, David Vaughan, Kieren Westwood.

## **Swansea City**

In: Lukasz Fabianski (Arsenal) Free. Out: Released - Leroy Lita, Jernade Meade, David Ngog, Darnel Situ.

## **Tottenham Hotspur**

Out: Heurelho Gomes (Watford) Free, Jake Livermore (Hull) £8m

Released: Cameron Lancaster

## **West Bromwich Albion**

In: Craig Gardner (Sunderland) Free, Joleon Lescott (Man City) Free. Out: Billy Jones (Sunderland) Free, Liam Ridgewell (Portland Timbers)

Released: Scott Allan, Nicolas, Anelka, Cameron Gayle, Zoltan Gera, Diego Lugano, Steven Reid.

## **West Ham United**

In: Mauro Zarate (Velez Sarsfield) Undisclosed, Cheikhou Kouyate (Anderlecht) Undisclosed. Out: Joe Cole (Aston Villa) Free. Released: Jack Collison, Callum Driver, George McCartney, Jordan Spence.

ist history with England over their tenures.

deserve praise. They have always put in the requisite levels of effort too, and showed plenty of skill.

have ever had, and they won nothing at all. They never even got very

# Finally, excitement is now guaranteed

THE good thing about the group football, it will get to the crescendo of a penalty shootout.

so much on the line.

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Rich signs for Ex-Saint EX-EASTLEIGH and Havant & Waterlooville striker Richard Pacquette has returned to Eastbourne Borough.

The nomadic 31-year-old, below, played for Borough under Garry Wilson in 2010/11 when they were a

Conference Premier side. After subsequent spells with Hayes & Yeading, Maidenhead. Lincoln City and Bromley, he signed briefly for Eastleigh during Richard Hill's first season in charge. Pacquette has since been with Sutton and Maidenhead and returns to an Eastbourne side who, for the last twoand-a-half seasons, have been managed by ex-Saint and former Salisbury City boss Tommy Widdrington.

Dossie's double raid AMID Salisbury City's financial troubles, the club have lost two of their defensive rearguard to Sutton United. Right-back Luke Ruddick (pic-

High-back Luke Nuduck (pictured), 24, and 28year-old Callum
Hart, a leftsided defender, have
moved to the
Conference
South club.
Both were regulars for the
Whites in the Skrill
Conference Premier last term.
Sutton's former Eastleigh
manager Paul Doswell said:
"These are two good signings
of players who have played at
a higher level and were very

Tournament places SPACES are still available for clubs wishing to take part in Fareham Town's youth tournament at Cams Alders on July 19/20.

keen to join us."

For more information or to book a spot, contact Melissa Cornish at ftfccwo@gmail.com or Michelle Dove at secretraryftfc@outlook.com.

City youth places
WINCHESTER City's under-16
team begin pre-season training next Wednesday (July 2).
Manager Ryan Andress has
confirmed the signings of 14
players and hopes to add a
couple more.

Any interested players or sponsors can contact Ryan on 07891 245839 or at ryanandress@hotmail.co.uk.



ALL SMILES: Alex Sawyer, Danny Cox, Lee Wort, Nick Watts, Marc Diaper, Mike Carter, Dan Miller and Pete Castle.



**GONG:** Dan Miller, right, with Dave Diaper after winning the young player of the year silverware.



**WEMBLEY HERO:** Marvin McLean, who scored the Vase winner, with former boss Dave Diaper.

# CARTER SIGNS

MIKE Carter has taken his leave of Sholing with two well-deserved trophies in tow.

The Gosport Borough-bound 22-year-old — one of the Boatmen's standout performers en route to their FA Vase/Sydenhams Premier Division double — walked away with the supporters' player and players' player-of-the-season awards from the club's presentation day.

Dave Diaper, who has stepped down as team boss, presented the manager's award to skipper Byron Mason who proudly lifted the silverware at Wembley on May 10 following an unforgettable 1-0 win over West Auckland Town.

Home-grown talent Dan

Home-grown talent Dan Miller, who went on as a substitute that day, was voted young player-of-the-year, while the golden boot award went to Lee Wort who banged in 50 goals in 57 league and cun appearances.

57 league and cup appearances. Special FA Vase recognition awards were presented to goal-keeper Matt Brown, whose string of fine saves earned him the man-of-the-match honours at Wembley, and to winger Marvin McLean, scorer of Sholing's 70th-minute winner.

Top scorer Jamie Mansell scooped two of the three reserve team prizes on offer, adding the players' player trophy to the golden boot. The manager's player-of-the-year award went to budding, young centre-back Owen Roundell.



**CAPTION:** Owen Roundall, left, with Dave Fear and the manager's reserve player of the season silverware.

There were joint winners of Sholing's clubman-of-the-year award with Graham 'Spud' Colbourne and Phil Bell sharing the beneuer

ing the honours.

The FA Vase was on show all day allowing the Boatmen's next generation of players, from under-sevens upwards, to get a good look at the trophy and take inspiration.

Sholing – now under the twin management of Mick Marsh and Dave Fear – begin the build-up to their Southern One South & West return with a pre-season friendly against Guernsey at the Silverlake Arena on Sunday, July 13 (2pm).

(2pm).
Carter's new club Gosport visit on Tuesday, July 22 followed by another Conference South outfit, Havant & Waterlooville, a week later (July 29).

The Boatmen's other friendlies are all away – to Godalming on July 26, Bemerton on July 31 and Arundel on August 2.

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**LINE UP:** Reserve players, from left, Lewis Fear, Joe Griggs, Jamie Mansell, Callum Parker, Macauley Smith, Coby Wilson and Mitch Fear. Right: Vice chairman Gerry Roberts with Graham Colbourne.

# OFF IN STYLE





**AWARDS:** Phil Bell, above left, with Dave Diaper. Supporters Liaison Officer Mike Travers, right, presents Mike Carter with the supporters player of year silverware. Jamie Mansell, above right, with his trophy as the reserves' players' player of the season.

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# Stupple excited by Sholing challenge

SHOLING have announced Mark Stupple as their new reserve team manager

Stupple departs AFC Totton after three years in different roles at the club, including time as vice-chairman and commercial manager.

The former Pace Youth coach was also the Stags' reserve manager but has now exited the Testwood Stadium to take up his new role with the Boatmen.

He'll join the newly formed man-

agerial set-up at the Silverlake Arena, working alongside co-managers Mick Marsh and Dave Fear. Fear said: "We've brought Mark in

Fear said: "We've brought Mark in because he's got the Sholing philosophy.

ophy.
"He's got first-hand experience
developing youngsters and has also
good contacts to bring in good
young players."

This comes after Fear left a vacant position as reserve manager after taking up the joint manager role with

the first team, who will play in the Southern Premier South West Division One next season after being crowned Wessex champions.

FA Vase-winning manager Dave Diaper stepped aside at the end of the season but is still at the club as chairman.

Stupple will take the helm of a highly successful outfit who won the Southampton Senior Cup and Wyvern League last term.

He said: "I'm all about youth football.

I'm able to develop young players and I can be successful at Sholing.

"It's really good to be at a club like Sholing, my new title will be reserve team manager but there will be a big involvement in the youth side of things.

"I'm excited about the prospects the club offer." Stupple will be in charge for his

Stupple will be in charge for his first match at Bush Hill on 19 July as the second-string Boatmen get their pre-season campaign underway.

## **Burch bolsters Hythe**

HYTHE & Dibden have made two additions to the squad that finished a best ever fourth in Sydenhams One last term. Manager Lee Burch has swooped for defender Dan Pancaldi, who returned to Lymington Town last term after a spell with Bemerton, and the experienced Tom Barge who spent the majority of last season as part of Blackfield & Langley's coaching staff before moving to Romsey Town.

This will be Barge's second stint at Hythe having briefly played for them in 2011/12, making nine Wessex appearances.

James Doswell has again nailed his colours to the Watersiders' mast after a successful first season with the club.

Also staying put for Hythe's imminent move from Jones Lane to Clayfields are Nathan Renyard, Jon Page, Seun Olabiyi, Wayne O'Dell, John Mulhern, Daniel Moss, Sam McCarthy, Martin Harris, Liam Edgar, Nick Jenkin, Simon De'Ath, Simon Davison, Terry Cox, Jon Brock, Darren Boag, Steve Green, Sean Stone, Mark Lilley and Tom Peters.

Moving on are Calum Frampton and Steve Knight.

## Le Tiss's men in action GUERNSEY FC, who boast Matt Le Tissier as their honorary president, are playing a series of pre-season friendlies against local mainland clubs.

The Channel Islanders, who finished fourth on their debut season in the Ryman League Division One South, will play back-to-back fixtures at Weymouth and Sholing over the weekend of July 12 and 13. The following Saturday (July 19) they will host Lee Bradbury's Havant & Waterlooville and, on August 1, Alex Pike's FA Trophy finalists Gosport Borough will be the guests at Footes Lane.

## Hawks add firepower HAVANT & Waterlooville have

added the firepower of JJ Hooper to their Conference South squad.

The 20-year-old – full name Jonathan James Hooper – recently became a free agent after leaving Northampton Town.

Born in Greenwich, Hooper kicked off his football career at the Newcastle United academy from where he had loan spells with Darlington and Workington.

He joined Northampton last season, playing just three matches, and it was a brief loan with Conference South rivals Farnborough that alerted the Hawks to his talent. He scored an impressive six goals in ten appearances for the north Hampshire outfit.

"JJ is young, enthusiastic, willing to learn and, at 6ft 1in, will give us a good presence," said H&W boss Lee Bradbury.

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# Mew happy to swerve bench duty for T&E

NEW Totton & Eling boss Wayne Mew is comforted by the club's plans to run two under-18 sides next season.

Not only is it a positive move to get a youth production line going, but it means there is absolutely no chance of the former Eastleigh reserves and Romsey Town boss having to name himself on the bench!

Mew's predecessors, brothers Stuart and Matt Hussey, and even 53-yearold coach Dave Puckett all donned their boots on occasion last season to boost a threadbare Millers squad.

But there is no way the new man at the Millers Park helm will be following suit.

Mew, pictured above, laughed: "I couldn't do what the last management team did and sit on the bench myself. I'm not in the right shape for that!

"I said to the chairman that he wouldn't want to see me among the subs or, even worse, come on!

"Fortunately we've got a couple of under-18 sides which could support us

which could support us.
"When we're short of
players on the bench we
can perhaps utilise some of
the young lads."

the young lads."
Given that he wasn't appointed until mid-June, Mew admits he has some catching up to do on the squad-building front.

Several would-be targets have already been snapped up elsewhere and, somewhat surprisingly, some of the younger lads he has approached are not keen to commit to Wessex football.

But he encountered similar obstacles at the start of a successful two-year spell at Romsey Town, still managing to build a successful side which finished a creditable eighth in the Sydenhams Premier Division in 2011/12

Division in 2011/12.

"Totton & Eling have got a decent set-up and they're an established Wessex League side. I'd like to take them on and do what we were doing at Romsey," said Mew.

"It was a bit of a late appointment and a number of lads have already made the decision to join other clubs. I've also spoken to a couple of youngsters from Fawley who say they are not getting back into it this year, which I think is a mis-



take to not play while you can play.
"But I've got three or four

"But I've got three or four players who always stick with me coming to Totton & Eling and I'm trying to get five or six T&E old boys back to the club to give us the basis of a squad.
"Once we're a month into

"Once we're a month into the season, I'm sure players will become available that are not getting games at other clubs. We'll just have to wait and see."

After parting company with Romsey, Midanburybased Mew went to assist former Bashley and AFC Totton midfielder Craig Davis at Southern One South & West outfit Fleet

But he resigned last Christmas, having had "a bit of a gutful" at Calthorpe Park.

"It wasn't just the travelling, it was the financial aspect," he explained. "I wasn't getting a penny, so all the car maintenance, fuel and so on was coming out of my own pocket.

"We were bottom of the league and the club had no finances for Craig to improve the squad. I couldn't see it going anywhere and it was costing me a for-

"I don't mind chipping in, but I work in London (as a project manager in the construction industry) and to have to finish work early, travel back down, get changed and then pick up lads and drive them to Clevedon on a Tuesday night was getting too

After all that, managing a team on his doorstep will make a welcome change for Mew.

"I've had a break since Christmas and there are not many jobs I would have come back into management for.

"It'll be more sleepless nights!" he smiled. "But being a local club, Totton & Eling appeals because of the reduced travelling and being back in the Wessex League."

# Town a step closer to £7.5m stadium deal

A MILESTONE plan for Basingstoke Town to relocate to a new stadium has moved a step closer despite opposition from councillors.

Members of Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council's decision-making cabinet this week gave the go-ahead to a legal agreement with the football club for the sale of land needed to build a new 5,124-capacity stadium in Eastrop, and for the council's 29 per cent share of the club's current stadium at The Camrose.

The new £7.5m purpose-built

the new £7.5m purpose-built stadium will be funded through the sale of the current ground in South Ham, which is being lined up as an out-of-town retail park. As a result, the local authority will receive £935,000 from the sale of land at both sites, writes John Boyman.

An all-weather pitch is also set to be built in the grounds of neighbouring Costello School, which will be used both by the football club and school pupils.

Rafi Razzak, chairman of the Conference South club, spoke



FUTURE: An artist's impression of the proposed stadium.

in favour of the development at the meeting, saying: "We have considered everything carefully and this is a community stadium for the town of Basingstoke and to benefit the town going forward. I really urge you to support it and put the interest of Basingstoke above any other interest, political or otherwise." But Liberal Democrat and

Eastrop councillor Stuart Parker raised concerns about the club's finances at the meeting. He said: "Basingstoke Town FC's business plan sets out assumptions on increased revenue generated through the provision of a new stadium.

"The figures, however, are predominantly based upon the assumption of greater attendance at matches, which is simply impossible to verify and would rely on the performance of the football team, which is a complete unknown. I would urge you not to proceed with this site for the new location but to retain it as an open green space for the free use and enjoyment of all residents of Basingstoke."

However, Cllr John Izett defended the decision, saying: "It is vitally important that people in the borough have an opportunity to put forward their views."

"Other sites have been examined but the general conclusion, which is supported by Basingstoke Town FC, is that the Old Common Road site is the most suitable for vehicular access and proximity to central Basingstoke."

Residents will now be asked to give their views on the loss of open green space at the Old Common Road site as part of a public consultation period, running from July to the middle of September.

# TIPP PUTS LID ON MILLERS' SYDENHAMS ASPIRATIONS

## TOTTON & Eling vice-chairman Andy Tipp says the club won't be setting any unrealistic targets for incoming boss Wayne Mew.

With no prospect of climbing out of the Wessex ranks in the foreseeable future, the Millers would settle for being a well-run, family club, competing steadily in the Sydenhams Premier Division and bringing young players through, writes WENDY GEE

Having led his previous charges Romsey Town to an eighth-placed finish on a shoestring budget three seasons ago, Mew appears to be a perfect fit for the job.

Not only is he bringing himself to the Millers Park party, but he will be accompanied by his trusty sidekicks Dave Smith (assistant/coach) and Dave Penny (physio). His right-hand man Stuart Long will also be around, albeit that he is currently working in Norway and only comes home every other weekend.

"We had quite a few people apply for the job and it was a very difficult decision, but we felt Wayne was the ideal choice with the contacts he has. He knows the Wessex League inside out and did a brilliant job at Romsey, working with no budget and bringing in some very good players," Tipp explained.

"We've had some ups and downs with Wayne over the years when we've taken a couple of players from him at Romsey, which he wasn't too happy about, but that's local football for you!" he laughed. "You can be someone's worst enemy one minute and their best friend the next.

"One of the key factors for us in appoint-



ANDY TIPP

ing Wayne is that he brings with him some very experienced people," Tipp added.
"With more help off the pitch and our

"With more help off the pitch and our youth section growing as well, it's looking good for the future.

"We're a family club and we need people who will muck in and help out. That's what local football is all about.

"We're not going to win the league, we just want to be a successful top-ten side.

"If we have a good cup run, we might be in a position to push on, who knows? But when people let their aspirations get too big, it can be dangerous. We're just a local club looking to bring young players through."

With Rob Lomax having crossed the fence from neighbours AFC Totton, the Millers have the perfect team in place to get a youth production line up and running.

ning.

He and Danny Ackland will take charge of one under-18 side in the Hampshire

Youth League, while Kevin Leggett will run another in the Southampton League. The club are also launching a new under-16 side. "Rob's resigned from his executive role

"Rob's resigned from his executive role at AFC Totton because of a conflict of interests and he's bringing some good youngsters in," said Tipp.

youngsters in," said Tipp.

"Rather than go with a reserve team, we're going to have two under-18 sides and try and break them into the first team."

Facility-wise, the Millers have had talks with the local council about installing a temporary clubhouse/bar at Millers Park. Currently T&E use AFC Totton's bar after games, but they feel the time has

come to stand on their own two feet.

"We want to be self-sufficient," said Tipp. "There are no hard feelings towards AFC Totton, but we need to try and progress ourselves. It's very difficult to move forward without a bar and we're looking at putting in a temporary building to start with that can house 40 or 50 people. Even if it's a temporary building like

Poole Town's, it's done all right for them. "We'll get a newish one that looks smart. We went to Eastleigh and saw the one they use for their executive club and thought it was amazing."

● T&E are holding the last of their under-18 trials next Wednesday (July 2) at Testwood School, Totton, from 6-8pm. Players interested in joining the under-

Players interested in joining the under-18 set-up can contact tottonandelingyouth@gmail.com, ring Rob Lomax on 07876 776985 or turn up on the night.

Under-16 players can email the above address or ring Ian Clark on 07709 318550.

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TOTTON RETURN: Craig Feeney.

## AFC TOTTON have won the race to sign sought-after striker Craig Feeney.

Sydenhams Premier duo Brockenhurst and Fawley AFC had both harboured hopes of snapping up the highly-rated 22-year-old following his departure from Blackfield & Langley.

But Feeney has opted to test himself back in the Southern League, having had a flavour of it with Totton in the Premier Division two seasons ago.

After making a name for himself running defenders ragged with the Stags' neighbours Totton & Eling, the pacy, young marksman enjoyed a spell dual-signed with Gosport Borough during their promotion-winning season from the Southern One South & West

He then returned to Totton & Eling before dual-signing for AFC Totton in 2012/13, just as they were running into the major financial difficulties that would lead to the breakup of their squad and, ultimately, relegation back to the Southern One South & West.

Along with virtually every senior player, Feeney left the Testwood Stadium last summer and wound up back in the Sydenhams Premier Division with defending champions Blackfield & Langley where he banged in 19 goals in 44 Wessex appearances.

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But Blackfield, too, experienced problems last term and Feeney was often played out of position in a sometimes threadbare squad.

Welcoming him back to the AFC Totton ranks, manager Steve Riley said: "Craig enjoyed it when he played for us before, but unfortunately there was a mass exodus and it was in his best interests to go elsewhere.

"He was a victim of circumstance, but he liked it here and it's not as if we've got to sell the club to him.

"He's a good, level-headed lad and he's a

natural goal scorer with pace.
"At Blackfield I think Craig played in every position, bar goalkeeper, so it will be nice for him to get a good season under his belt in a team that want to enjoy their foot-

"The Southern One South & West is a tough league and it's a better level for him." Totton, who started pre-season training on Thursday, will keep together the bulk of last season's young squad who noticeably grew in stature during the course of a testing Southern Premier Division campaign.

It wasn't quite enough to save the Stags from relegation, but players like Rob Flooks, Zac Mouland and ex-Saints academy goal-keeper Steve Mowthorpe will be all the richer for the experience.

One player who won't be regularly available next term is former Fawley midfielder Lewis Ross, who is off to university in Bedford

"Lewis leaves for uni at the end of September but he's signed on again and will make himself available when he can," Riley explained.

"We've kept the squad together from last season, including (tenacious midfielder) Liam Gilbert who's in Brazil at the moment watching the World Cup. I'm speaking to a couple of other players as well, so we'll see where things go

where things go.

"We've got a nice mix of pre-season games arranged, finishing off with an AFC Bournemouth XI (home, July 30) and Dorchester Town (home, August 2).

"I'm also looking forward to seeing some familiar faces like John Robson of Blackfield & Langley, Jeremy Stagg of Alresford, Danny Bowers of Follands and Tim Cole of Winchester City. Tim was a Navy man like me and we played football together, so it's good to have a game against Winchester (home, July 19)."



# Loyalty counts for Riley

MANAGER Steve Riley says he "didn't need much persuading" to sign a year's contract extension at AFC Totton. Amid all the torrid

Amid all the torrid times the club have endured over the last 18 months, former Navy man Riley, pictured above, has always gone about his business in an upbeat, professional manner.

manner.
And his positive contribution was recognised last week when he, assistant Chris
Ferrett and goalkeeping coach Steve Hollick penned deals to keep them with the Stags until May part year.

until May next year.
It was Totton's way of saying thank you to the trio for standing loyally by the club when it would have been far easier to have walked away.

away.
Riley had no idea of the rocky road that lay ahead when he signed a two-year contract for Totton in May 2012 following seven years at Bashley.

There were days when he must have yearned for an easier life, but he steadfastly rode the storm, knuckled down and saw the job through.

job through.
When the bulk of his senior squad jumped ship last summer with the club deep in the financial mire, he and his management team could so easily have followed them out of the door.

the door.
Instead, they stayed put and went again with a side of youngsters who finished the season so positively that even relegation from the Southern Premier Division couldn't dent Riley's optimism.

Reflecting on his contract extension, he said: "It was nice to hear the club saying thanks for staying during a time of adversity. "I'm not one to jump

"I'm not one to jump ship and I can remember Andy Straker asking me to stay when everything had gone pear-shaped.

pear-shaped.
"Since Andy took over

as chairman we've gone from strength to strength. "Whatever he does,

"Whatever he does, he's always got the club at heart and there's no hidden agenda with him.

"He and his righthand man Roy (Edwards) are good to work with. If they tell you something is going to happen, it will happen, and I'm the same.

"We've got a good working relationship and we respect one another. I respect the way they've turned things round and they respect me for bringing young players through and they've seen how well the lads have responded.

"Football can be a cut-throat business and loyalty doesn't count at some clubs, so it's nice to be rewarded for a bit of loyalty to Totton.

"I always wanted to see my two-year contract through and I didn't need much persuading to stay.

ing to stay.

"Despite everything, I enjoyed last season, especially the last three months."

With seven wins and four draws in their last 16 league matches, Riley's young guns mira's young guns more out of despair.

Given their poor start, Premier Division survival was always going to be a tall order, but the boss sees plenty of plus points going forward. "The set-up and the

"The set-up and the facilities at Totton are fantastic, the people are friendly and we had a great, positive finish to the season," he said. "We've been relegat-

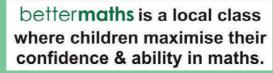
"We've been relegated (to the Southern One South & West) but hopefully we can compete better at that level and maybe we're taking one step back to move two forward.

"We had a meeting of volunteers this week and there are a lot of people around who want to help the club.

"With everyone pulling in the same direction the future could be bright."







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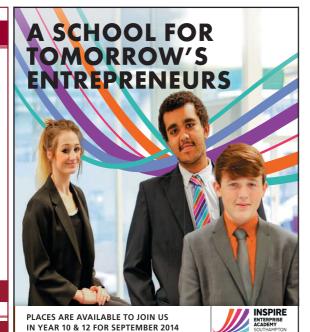
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# **Spitfires** are the hot ticket

600 season tickets for their first season in the Conference Premier season, writes PETER HOWARD.

That is an astonishing figure considering last season the average attendance was 631 at the Silverlake Stadium as the Spitfires won the Conference South

But a combination of promotion to the elite tier of non-league football, and season tickets that represent value for money compared to their Premier League rivals Saints, has meant that they've

reached that surprising figure.
Early bird prices, which expire on
Tuesday (July 1), are £120 for adults.
That equates to about £5.50 per game for each of the 22 matches played at home. Compared to a season ticket at St Mary's, although the offer of top-flight

football is far more appealing to many watching Eastleigh is a bargain.
The most expensive sea-

son ticket at Saints is £853, meaning shelling out almost £45 for each of the 19 match-

Spitfires' chairman Stewart Donald right, who arrived at the club in December 2011 said: "There's a lot more room for improvement (for

"When we first came in there was 36 season ticket

"As we stand, towards the end of June, we've got over 600 season ticket holders. "It's moving in the right direction. I think there's still scope for us to improve quite

"What we've tried to do is make it very cost effective. The idea is that you can come down as a family and it won't burn a hole in the pocket.

"If we can make it affordable for your working class man, which football is becoming less and less so, then I think there are enough people in the area that can get behind the team.

Eastleigh kick-off their pre-season campaign when they welcome Swindon Town on Thursday July 17. They then go on to play Crawley Town (July 26) and Northampton Town (1 August) - both at

## **Batt back**

FORMER Eastleigh full-back Damian Batt has come out of retirement to join League Two outfit Dagenham & Redbridge on a two-year deal.

The 29-year-old appeared to have called time on professional football when he ended a four-and-a-half year stint at Oxford United last September, saying he wanted to concentrate on running his

He joined the Spitfires a few days later but, with opportunities limited, he left at the end of January having made just 12 starts for Richard Hill's eventual Conference South champions. He has been out of the game ever since.

Batt, who had a brief spell at Redbridge in 2004 before going on to play for Barnet and Stevenage Borough, knows D&R manager Wayne Burnett of old having played for him at Fisher Athletic in 2008.

"Damian is a player I've known for a long time," said Burnett.

"He's a good athlete, has a good footballing brain and I think it's a major coup for us getting him.

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# Non-league Football



# quick return to dugout



PLAYER-COACH ROLE: Warren Kenna, left.



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there and they're good footballing people. "There's a lot going on there too with planning permission coming through to extend the clubhouse.

"I'm looking forward to going back and

actually winning a few games!'

Winning was an all too rare occurence at Bashley where Pyatt and co-boss Paul Gazzard fought valiantly to keep the team afloat against a backdrop of budget cuts and behind-the-scenes upheavals. They finally called it a day in mid-May,

five days after a boardroom takeover had saved the ailing New Forest outfit from certain closure.

"I knew Gazza of old and he asked me to

dossier on each side we played and we vis-

Lymington and Brock and we'll have a good little side again next season and give it a

local lads and it's important we keep them at the club.

# Not good to talk ...

lack of a mobile phone signal as he braces him-self to battle for Verwood Town's top assets.

The ex-Poole Town favourite, pictured below, entered the Potterne Park dugout in April following the resignation of the club's most successful boss Adie Arnold, who has since taken charge of Christchurch.

Speculation is rife that a host of Potters players will join their former leader at Hurn Bridge but, for Poore, silence has been golden.

"One bonus of living in Cranborne is you can never pick up a phone signal!" he ioked "I do have a feeling that

a couple might leave, but it's inevitable in pre-sea-son. I think that happens everywhere.
"We need to make a few

changes from last season and there will be some who go off and find other clubs. be Whether that will Christchurch remains to be seen, but I imagine a

couple will go there.' Poore remains hopeful, however, of preventing

a mass exodus with last season's top scorer Jack Lovell - a target for Hamworthy United and Christchurch - initially declaring his intent to

"All of the players, including Jack, gave me their word they would be back for pre-season, said Poore.

"I can only go on that, but I am also aware that it doesn't necessarily mean a lot in football. One player Poore expects to lose is midfielder

Nathan Saxby whose father, Danny, is Arnold's right-hand man at Christchurch.

Verwood begin pre-season training on July 1.

# Town move for Wilson

EASTLEIGH's new Conference Premier rivals Aldershot Town have made their first summer capture.

The north Hampshire club have capitalised on the turmoil at Salisbury City by signing defender Glenn Wilson, who was an ever-present captain for the Whites last season.

Wilson, 28, began his career at Crystal Palace, where he skippered the reserves, before spending time at AFC Wimbledon,

Rushden & Diamonds and Kidderminster Harriers. The Lewisham-born

centre-back, who can also play right-back, enjoyed five years at Crawley Town, making 158 appearances and helping the Red Devils to the

Conference Premier title.

Loan spells at Woking and
Fleetwood followed before Wilson, pictured above, joined Gateshead from whom he signed for Salisbury in the summer of 2012.
"This will be my ninth season in the

Conference and this is always a tough league, but I'm looking forward to another challenge," said the Shots new boy.

Aldershot, meanwhile, have welcomed back their all-time record goalscorer Mark Butler as new commercial manager.

He replaces ex-Saint Nicky Banger who has switched camps to Conference Premier rivals

## **PRE-SEASON FRIENDLIES 2014**

Saturday, July 5 Downton v Alresford Town Moneyfields v Fanham Town Shaftesbury v Bournemouth Poppies Winchester City v Sutton Utd

Monday, July 7 Didcot Town v Eastleigh (7.30) Horndean v Havant & Waterlooville

Tuesday, July 8 Alresford Town v AFC Totton (at Wellington, 7.15) Blackfield & Langley v Salisbury City Bashley v Gosport Borough Winchester City v Basingstoke Town

Thursday, July 10 Moneyfields XI v Hythe & Dibden

Friday, July 11 Bashley v Winchester City

Saturday, July 12
Alresford Town v New Milton Town (at Wellington)
Blackfield & Langley v Fleet Town
Blackfield & Langley v Fleet Town
Bashley v Winchester Cfly
Basingstoke Town v Yeovil Town
Hamworthy Utd v Wimbome Town
Marlow v Eastleigh
Petersfield Town v FC Totton
Worthing Utd v Moneyfields
Weymouth v Guernsey

Sunday, July 13 Sholing v Guerns

Monday, July 14 Poole Town v AFC Bournemouth Development Squad

Tuesday, July 15 Blackfield & Langley v AFC Totton Hamworthy Utd v Poole Town OK Southampton v Alresford Town (7.15) Winchester Castle v Hythe & Dibden Res Winchester City v Fleet Town

Thursday, July 17 Eastleigh v Swindon Town (7pm)

Saturday, July 19
AFC Portchester v Worthing
AFC Stoneham v Bronsey Town
AFC Totton v Winchester City XI
Alresford Town v Tadley Calleva (at Wellington)
Bush Hill v Sholing Res (TBC)
Guernsey v Havant & Waterlooville
Moneyfields v Selsey
New Milton v Bournemouth Poppies
Old Woodstock Town v Fareham Town
Otterbourne v Hythe & Dibden
Poole Town v Gosport Borough
Salisbury City v Reading Salisbury City v Reading Thatcham Town v Winchester City XI Verwood Town v Wimborne Town

Tuesday, July 22
AFC Portchester v Portsmouth XI
Basingstoke Town v Newport County
Billericay v Eastleigh
Folland Sports v AFC Totton
Laverstock & Ford v Afresford Town (7.30)
Salisbury City v AFC Wimbledon
Sholing v Gosport Borough
Winchester Castle v Rourgemouth Propriet er Castle v Bournemouth Poppies Verwood Town v Poole Town

Wednesday, July 23 Bemerton HH v Salisbury City

Thursday, July 24 AFC Stoneham v Sholing Res (TBC) Ringwood Town v Hamworthy Utd Weymouth v Romsey Town

Friday, July 25
Poole Town v Wimborne Town

Saturday, July 26
AFC Totton v Slough Town
Brockenhurst v Blinfield
Cadnam Utd v Amesbury Town
Eastleigh v Crawley Town
Godalming Town v Sholing
Guildrord City v Alresford Town
Moneyfield v Met Police
Portland Utd v Bournemouth Poppies
OK Southampton v Romsey Town
Redditch Utd v Gesport Borough
Tadley Calleva v Winchester City

Tuesday, July 29 Hungerford Town v Gosport Borough Blackfield & Langley v AFC Totton Fleet Town v Basingstoke Town Poole Town v Salisbury City OK Southampton v Hythe & Dibden Res Sholing v Havant & Waterlooville St Albans City V Eastleigh US Portsmouth v Moneyfields (7.15)

Wednesday, July 30 AFC Totton v AFC Bournemouth XI

**Thursday, July 31**Bemerton Heath Harlequins v Sholing Stockbridge v Amesbury Town (7.15) Weymouth XI v Hythe & Dibden

Friday, August 1 Eastleigh v Northampton Town (7.30), Guernsey v Gosport Borough, Poole Town v Crystal Palace XI

Saturday, August 2
AFC Totton v Dorchester Town, Arundel v Sholing, Poole
Town v Basingstoke Town, Salisbury City v Newport County,
Wimborne Town v Gillingham Town, Yateley Utd v Sholing

Thursday, August 7 AFC Stoneham v Hythe & Dibden

Saturday, August 9 Fawley AFC v Hythe & Dibden

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go across to Bashley and give him a hand and, despite everything, I thoroughly enjoyed it," said Pyatt.

"We only won four games, but it was a great learning curve for me managing at

that level. "It was all very professionally done with a

ited some great grounds."

Just prior to joining Bash last October,
Pyatt had achieved his goal of leading

Brockenhurst up as Sydenhams Division One champions just two years after relega-tion from the top flight. "I've had some quite successful sides at

go," he pledged.
"It's too soon to talk about players, but at
Lymington there's always been a core of

# Sport's biting bad boys

week received a four-month ban from all football for his bite on Italy defender Giorgio Chiellini during a World Cup contest in Brazil. Here, the Sports Pink looks at

some other cases of biting in sport.

## Mike Tyson on Evander Holyfield (Boxing)

The most notorious incident of biting in sport was when Tyson got his teeth into Holyfield and tore a chunk off his heavyweight rival's ear during their world title fight in

Tyson was disqualified, but later had his boxing licence reinstated.

## Johan Le Roux on Sean Fitzpatrick (Rugby Union)

New Zealand were heading towards a series-clinching second Test win over South Africa in 1994 when Le Roux clearly bit All Blacks

hooker Fitzpatrick.
Replays showed Fitzpatrick winc-

ing in pain as Le Roux drew blood.
The South African was sent home in disgrace, banned for 17 months and his international career ended



**FLASHPOINT:** Giorgio Chiellini holds his arm while Luis Suarez grabs hold of his teeth after the World Cup controversy.

## Dylan Hartley on Stephen Ferris (Rugby Union)

England hooker Dylan Hartley was suspended for eight weeks for biting Ireland player Stephen Ferris during an RBS 6 Nations match in

There was no television evidence, but Hartley was found guilty.

A sterner penalty had been anticipated due to a 26-week ban for gouging in 2007.

However, his good behaviour in the intervening period was taken

## Miguel Olivo on Alex Guerrero (Baseball)

Two team-mates on the Albuquerque Isotopes - a minor league team affiliated with the Los Angeles Dodgers - got into a confrontation during a game last month, and the incident ended with one of the Dodgers' top prospects Alex Guerrero requiring plastic surgery after having a chunk of his ear bitten off by the veteran catcher Olivo.

Olivo was released by the Dodgers organisation two days

# Youth Football



# Saints' win double

## **SOUTHAMPTON Saints fin**ished the season in style as they lifted silverware at Petersfield's six-a-side tournament.

Saints under-11s, more used to playing up an age group in the Winchester League, returned to their own age group.

Playing seven matches against Widbrook Blues and Reds, St Francis Youth, Portsmouth Uni, Petersfield Junior Galaxy and Jets and Warsash Wasps, they won six and drew one, scoring 16 goals and conceding none.

In the final, Saints defeated Widbrook Reds 3-0.

## **Silverware**

The U11 squad comprisedEmily Gardiner, Lucy Nightingale, Katelyn Wort, Sophie Shiner, Francesca Manson, Charlotte Webb, Larissa White, Grace Griffiths and Holly Jerrim. Saints under-16s also got their

hands on some silverware.

They qualified for their final by beating Down Grange, Wey Valley and Petersfield Town

A goal from Belinda Villa gave Saints victory in the final against Winchester City Flyers.

Saints' defence of captain Tiff Eley and Kayleigh Tonks held



TOURNAMENT VICTORY: Southampton Saints under-16s.

firm throughout, allowing keeper Ella Hunkin to keep a clean sheet.

Saints' U16 squad comprised

Ella Hunkin, Tiff Eley (captain), Kayleigh Tonks, Martha Phillips, Charlotte Cockram, Belinda Villa, and Izzy Glover.

# **Oakwood** in Central command

THE curtain came down on a highly successful Southampton Schools FA Primary Schools League season.

Oakwood won the Central West League with a number of convincing results and performances.

Townhill won the East League after a three-year drought but were pushed all the way by Valentine, Charlton and Bassett Green in a tight finish.

Orchard won a hugely competitive West League after an extremely tight finish which still had three potential winners going in to the penultimate round of fixtures.

St Monica were the standout team in East 2, winning all their matches with some strong attacking perfor-

Springhill were pushed all the way in West 2 as, despite not losing a match, they managed three draws which meant they ended up needing goal difference to confirm them as

Jewell Shield 'Champions

League'
Oakwood beat Townhill 1-0 in an entertaining and closely-fought Jewell Shield final in front of a large

City Cup
The City Cup saw the two strongest teams face each other in a fantastic

St Monica eventually beat Oakwood

5-3 in an amazing match.
After finishing 1-1 in normal time, the game came to life in extra time with four goals being scored in the

first half alone.

Both the City Cup and Jewell Shield finals again took place this year at Eastleigh FC.

The Southampton Schools FA have thanked Eastleigh's Football in the Community Department and their groundsman for allowing them to use the superb 7-a-side grass pitch.

## Six-A-Sides

In the City 6-a-sides, the under-11 tournament saw 20 teams enter, with Fairisle surprisingly beating Bartley 1-0 in a good match with Fairisle being clinical with their few chances

in a tight final.

In the under-ten event, 18 teams entered, with Springhill dominating the tournament and defeating Holy Family 4-0 in an amazing final

Springhill will be strong favourites for the title again next year.

**Five-A-Sides**In the City 5-a-sides, the under-11 event was won by Ludlow.

In the under-ten finals, Foxhills won the trophy with a high standard of football.

## Finally...

It is hoped to further extend both the Wide Lane and main leagues to get even more Primary Schools playing boys football across the city next

# Youth Football



## **SPRINGHILL UNDER-TENS**



**FAIRISLE UNDER-11s** 



ST MONICA: East 2 champions.



ABOVE: League winners Townhill.

RIGHT: Central West League winners Oakwood.



## **SOUTHAMPTON SCHOOLS WINNERS** 2013/14

## **Secondary Schools**

Under 16 Division 1 Division 2 Upper Shirley High St. George Testwood Division West Bass Charrington Upper Shirley High

Wildern St. Mary's College Division 1 Division 2 Division West Centenary Cup Noadswood Wildern

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Under 13

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Clarke Lodwidge Shield WildernDivision Indoor 5-a-side Hounsdown

Under 12 Division 1 Division 2 Division West

Wildern Redbridge Hounsdown Alec Perkins Cun Redbridge

St. George Sholing

## Junior Schools

Under 11					
WEST 1 (Home	& Av	vay)			
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Orchard	8	6	1	1	36
Bartley	8	5	1	2	37
Abbatawaad	0	4	4	2	20

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EAST 1 (Home & away)

	Р	VV	D	L		Α	Pts	
Townhill A	10	7	3	0	23	7	24	
Valentine	10	5	4	1	19	7	19	
Charlton	10	4	3	3	28	14	15	
Bassett Green	10	4	2	4	25	12	14	
Bitterne CE	10	4	0	6	15	25	12	
Kanes Hill	10	0	0	10	7	51	0	

EAST 2 (Once of	only)						
	Ρ	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
St Monica	7	7	0	0	17	2	21
Ludlow	7	4	2	1	14	5	14
Bitterne Manor	7	3	3	1	6	4	12
Thornhill	7	3	3	1	7	8	12
Sholing	7	2	2	3	7	7	8
Harefield	7	1	2	4	2	9	5
Bitterne Park	7	1	1	5	3	15	4
Townhill B	7	1	1	5	4	10	4

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Springhill	7	4	3	0	18	6	15
Holy Family	7	5	0	2	11	5	15
Hollybrook	7	5	0	2	11	7	15
Calmore	7	3	2	2	8	5	11
Highfield	7	2	3	2	6	7	9
Sinclair	7	1	2	4	4	13	5
Mansel	7	0	3	4	3	9	3
Freemantle	7	0	3	4	3	9	3

# Jewell Shield - Champions League Qualifying Round Springhill 1 - 5 St Monica

Semi Finals
Townhill 1 -1 St Monica (AET)
Townhill won 3 - 1 on penalties
Oakwood 4 - 3 Orchard (AET)

## Final (Eastleigh FC) Townhill 0 - 1 Oakwood

City Champions: Oakwood

KO Cup St. Monica 6-a-side Fairisle Indoor 5-a-side Boys Ludlow St. Monica

Under 10

Girls Under 11 Division East Division West

Charlton House

Indoor 5-a-side Foxhills



# Worthys set gold standard

**WORTHYS Youth FC have just** been awarded The FA's highest gold standard status -**Charter Standard Community** Club.

That reflects the highest degree of professionalism, care for its players and dedication to football as a community sport. In addition, Worthy's have also been awarded Hampshire FA's Charter Standard Community

Club of the Year 2014 as part of the FA's Community Awards for grassroots football.

grassroots football.
Worthys are now the largest club in the Testway League, with 17 teams registered for the 2014/15 season, including three girls' teams and, for the first time in its history, a men's team.
Teams have had their most succeptful account to data with the

cessful season to date with the U18s, U13s and U11s finishing as league champions and the U12s

and U15s as runners up.
In addition, the U10s, U13s and U11s girls teams were all cup finalists.

"As a club we are immensely proud of all our achievements this season," said chairman Tom

Andrew-Power.
"That is both in terms of formal recognition through league success and cup runs, but also in the energy, ethos and community spirit of all of our players, coaches and parents.
"Success comes in many forms.

"We are lucky to have such dedicated and committed parents and coaches, and for a village club to grow so significantly

involves many partnerships.
"We have partnerships with
the schools, local, parish and city
government, the Sports and
Social Club and countless volun-

"It makes us a truly community-based club celebrating all that is great about village life and the sport we love."

In recognition of Worthy's achievements, the FA have

awarded the club £1000 to refurbish our storage shed at Eversley Park.



# YOUTH FOOTBALL: Worthy's FC celebrate



ABOVE: Worthys under-

LEFT: Worthys under-13s.



**RIGHT:** Worthys under-11s.

**BELOW:** Worthys under-11 girls.

**BOTTOM RIGHT:** Worthys under-tens.







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# ATHLETICS SPOTLIGHT: Women's Running 10k



THUMBS UP: Competitors in the Women's Running 10k race on Southampton Common. Daily Echo pictures by Ian Hinchliffe Order no: 18686196

RUNNERS descended on Southampton Common for the Women's Running 10k on Saturday. More than 50 women took part in glorious sunshine. Claire Powell of Hedge End RC crossed the finish line in first with a time of 45 minutes 35 seconds. Powell was followed Jo-Anne Gready in second. She

completed a 46 minute run. Rachael Andreotti came home in bronze position with a 46 minutes 29 seconds time.





**PODIUM FINISH:** Third-placed

Rachael Andreotti.

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# Blazing a trail

AMELIE Mauresmo, below, has become one of only a handful of women to coach men in elite sport after her recent appointment by Andy Murray.
While women such as Betty

Callaway, who coached Christopher Dean to Olympic glory alongside Jayne Torvill, have achieved success in mixed disciplines, few have

had the opportunity to excel in purely male environments.

Here, the Sports Pink takes a look at five who broke the mould:

**HELENA COSTA:** Costa became the first female manager of a professional football club in France after being appointed by Ligue 2 Clermont Foot in May this

She had previously managed the women's national teams of Qatar and Iran.

However, she recently quit her position.

TERESA PHILLIPS: Phillips made history in 2003 by becoming the first woman to coach a men's top-level NCAA basketball

She took charge of Tennessee State University's Tigers for one game when the regular coach was suspended mid-season. The Tigers lost, and Phillips

reverted to her role as the school's athletics director.

## **EVA LUND:**

Swedish curler Lund won double world and Olympic gold in her playing career. She was appointed coach of Nicklas Edin's men's team for the 2014 Winter Olympics, where they missed out on a bronze medal in a final stone loss to Great Britain.

Lund said: "If you have a different perspective as a woman, you bring more value.

MARGOT WELLS: The former Scottish sprint champion turned to coaching and was never far from husband Alan's side as he swept to Olympic gold and silver medals at the 1980 Moscow Olympics. She still works closely with a number of elite male rugby union and hockey players.

BARBARA WILLIAMS: Williams became the first female ice hockey coach in the history of the NHL when she was named power skat-ing instructor for the New York Islanders in 1977. She worked with the Islanders through four Stanley Cup wins before moving on to become a skating coach with the New Jersey Devils.

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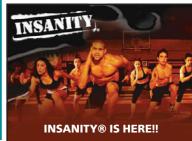
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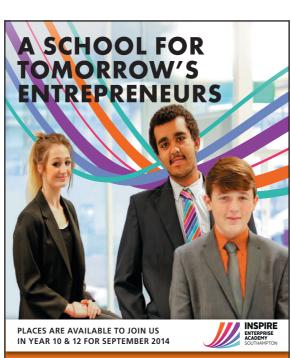
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# Hampshire Cricket Spotlight



## Hampshire fixtures 2014

April

6 Worcestershire (CC) ......Ageas Bowl Hampshire 263 (Ervine 93, Adams 67) and drew with Worcestershire 350-7 (Coles

13 Gloucestershire (CC) ......Bristol Hampshire 422 (J Vince 144, A Wheater 82) and 215-2 (M Carberry 100no, J Vince 58no) beat Gloucestershire 302 (K Abbott 5-67, J Tomlinson 4-68) and 322 by eight wickets.

Carberry 47) drew with Derbyshire 399 (K Abbott 4-84).

drew with Surrey 99-2.

May

5 Cardiff MCCU (Uni) ......Ageas Bowl Hampshire 383-8 dec (L McManus 108) and 212-3 dec (L McManus 106\*) drew with Cardiff 173 all out and 165-4

11 Glamorgan (CC) ......Ageas Bowl



**TWO CENTURIES:** Lewis McManus.

Glamorgan 234 (S Ervine 3-36, M Coles 3-39, K Abbott 3-66) & 187 (J Tomlinson 3-40, K Abbott 3-43) lost to Hampshire 345 (M Carberry 66, L Dawson 64, J Vince 61) & 68-4 by 6 wickets.

16 Glamorgan (t20) . . . . . Ageas Bowl Glamorgan 161-7 (Briggs 3-23) beat Hampshire 151-6 by 10 runs.

18 Leicestershire (CC) .....Leicester Hampshire 332-10 (Vince 70, Wheater 57, Adams 40, Ervine 40, Abbott 40) & 338-9 dec (Smith 46, Gatting 44, Vince 56, Wheater 46, Coles 83) beat Leicestershire 296-10 (Abbott 4-55, Tomlinson 4-49) & 96-10 (Briggs 4-13, Coles 3-24) by 278 runs.

159-5 by 18 runs.

30 Essex (t20) .......Ageas Bowl Essex 145-5 lost to Hampshire 146-2 (J Vince 57no, O Shah 50no) by eight wickets.

June Continued on facing page

unavailable (he only plays in three of Maxwell is sure to get more opportunities to bowl off-spin as well as enhance his Test claims with the bat.
But defeat at The Oyal would throw

the promotion race wide open.

Surrey have played a game more but will be determined to close the 19point gap on Hampshire.

They were the pre-season favourites for promotion but never got going under Graeme Smith, before injury forced the former South Africa captain to retire from all cricket last

THE LATEST HAMPSHIRE CRICKET

up to the first division.

Gareth Batty and Zafar Ansari have spun Surrey to successive ten-wicket wins to change the complexion of the promotion race.

Ansari, who always seems to do well against Hampshire, has been the county's stand-out batsman in the Championship with 587 runs at

And Surrey have been joined this week by Tillakaratne Dilshan for his first taste of county cricket.

The former Sri Lanka captain – best known for developing the 'Dilscoop' – made his debut in last night's T20 Blast encounter and will



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# **Hampshire Cricket** Spotlight





game since the last of his 87 Tests 15 months ago. He turned out for the Tamil Union against Bloomfield in Sri Lanka's domestic first-class competition back in January but Hampshire will hope to capitalise on his lack of game time.

Hampshire are chasing what would only be their seventh post-war Championship win at

Their last one came in September 2008 when the visitors strolled to an innings and 122-run victory in south London.

Wicketkeeper Nic Pothas set up the success with an unbeaten 137 as Hampshire rattled up 480 batting first.

Dimi Mascarenhas was dismissed one short of his century.

# Recalling three post-war Hampshire Oval victories

Surrey v Hampshire County Championship, May 1961 (3-day

4-120-3.
Hampshire first innings RE Marshall c Barrington b Loader JR Gray c May b Loader PJ Sainsbury b Bedser H Horton not out BA Livingstone libw b Gibson ACD Ingleby-Mackenzie c and b Lock H Hamson b Gibson 1 D Shackleton c and b Loader DW White lbw b Loader DW White lbw b Loader MD Burden b Gibson
Extras (4 lb, 2 nb)
Total (all out, 97.4 overs)

Surrey second innings	
MJ Stewart not out	.7
JH Edrich c Burden b Gray	.1
MD Willett b Sainsbury	
PBH May not out	
Extras (5 b, 4 lb)	
Total (2 wickets, declared, 57 overs)	14
Fall: 1-42, 2-80	
Bowling: Shackleton 11-2-29-0; White 6-1-16	ô-
Gray 16-5-19-1; Burden 10-1-38-0; Sainsbury 4-30-1	٧.

Hampshire second innings
RE Marshall c Edrich b Lock
JR Gray c Stewart b Gibson
H Horton c Lock b Barrington
DA Livingstone c Swetman b Lock
PJ Sainsbury not out
HM Barnard c Barrington b Lock
ACD Ingleby-Mackenzie not out
Extras (4 b, 6 lb)
Total (5 wickets, 91 overs)310
Fall: 1-4, 2-184, 3-221, 4-280, 5-287
Bowling: Loader 17-3-60-0; Gibson 15-1-55-1;
Lock 27-6-77-3; Bedser 26-4-76-0; Barrington 6
0-32-1.
Hampshire won by 5 wickets

County Championship, June 1963 (3-day

Surrey first innings MJ Stewartb Gray
KF Barringtonc I-Mackenzie b Shackleton2
MD Willettc Timms b Gray
RAE TindallIbw b Shackleton
A Longc Livingstone b Shackleton
GAR Lockc Timms b Shackleton
RI Jefferson not out
PJ Loaderb Shackleton
DAD Sydenham b Wassell
Extras(1 lb)
Total(all out, 84.3 overs)

Hampshire first innings
RE Marshall b Sydenham11
JR Graylbw b Sydenham15
H Horton b Storey31
DA Livingstone b Sydenham
PJ Sainsbury c Stewart b Storey
BSV Timmslbw b Sydenham
HM Barnardc Long b Lock
ACD Ingleby-Mackenzie lbw b Lock
D Shackleton not out
AR Wassell c Long b Sydenham
RMH Cottam b Lock1
Extras
Total164
Fall: 1-24, 2-27, 3-27, 4-64, 5-98, 6-154, 7-154,
8-161, 9-163, 10-164 (79 ov)
Bowling: Loader 23-10-36-0; Sydenham 23-8-
39-5; Jefferson 9-3-20-0; Storey 14-5-32-2; Lock
10-4-22-3

Surrey second innings         0           MJ Stewart Ibw b Cottam         0           JH Edrich c Cottam b Shackleton         56           KF Barrington c and b Wassell         17           MD Willett Ibw b Cottam         0           RAE Tindal c Timms b Shackleton         33           SJ Storey Ibw b Shackleton         2



## **OVAL CENTURIES:** Roy Marshall.

A Long Ibw b Shackleton 0.0 GAR Lock c Timms b Shackleton 1.3 RJ Jefferson not out 8 P L Loader c Gray b Wassell 4 DAD Sydenham b Shackleton 1.1 Extras 0.0 Total (all out, 73.3 overs) 114 Fall: 1-1, 2-46, 3-47, 4-85, 5-88, 6-88, 7-95, 8-102, 9-109, 10-114 (73.3 ov) Bowling: Shackleton 28.3-15-34-6; Cottam 15-5-35-2; Gray 4-11-4-0; Wassell 26-15-31-2
Hampshire second innings   JR Ciray c Stewart b Loader
County Championship 1967 Kennington Oval, May 1967 (3-day match)
Surrey first innings

Surrey machinings
JH Edrich c Sainsbury b Shackleton
MJ Edwards c Marshall b Shackleton
MJ Stewart b Shackleton34
KF Barrington b Cottam
IW Finlay Ibw b White
SJ Storey b White
PI Pocock c White b Cottam
GG Amold b Cottam
A Long b Shackleton
R Harman b Shackleton11
DA Marriott not out
Extras (2 b, 1 lb)
Total (all out, 76 overs)

Fall: 1-5, 2-22, 3-84, 4-91, 5-91, 6-102, 7-104, 8-109, 9-114, 10-123 (76 ov) Bowling: Shackleton 31-17-41 5; White 14-2-32-2; Cottam 16-6-22-3; Sainsbury 14-8-24-0; Caple 1-0-1-0

Hampshire first innings RE Marshall c and b Pocock . . . . . H Horton lbw b Amold . . . . . . . GL Keith b Marriott

# Hampshire fixtures 2014

1 Derbyshire (CC) ....... Ageas Bowl Hampshire 388 (A Wheater 87, W Smith 82, J Adams 60, M Bates 50) & 214-5 dec (J Adams 67) drew with Derbyshire 257 (D Briggs 5-50, K Abbott 3-48) & 107-8 (J Tomlinson 3-16).

8 Worcestershire (CC) ......New Road Worcestershire 402-9 dec (D Balcombe 3-53) drew with Hampshire 219 (W Smith 67, J Vince 48) and 321-5 (M Carberry 125, G Maxwell 85).

13 Somerset (t20) ......Taunton Somerset 176-4 bt Hampshire 175-7 (M Carberry 38) by one run.

Smith 151no) bt Essex 121 (K Abbott 5-44, J Tomlinson 3-25) & 135 (K Abbott 3-23) by



**TOP SCORER:** Jimmy Adams has two T20 half centuries in his last two innings.

5 Glamorgan (t20)Cardiff	
ampshire 170-6(M Carberry 59, J Adams	
2) bt Glamorgan 164-6 by 6 runs.	

Oval
July

4 Kent (t20)	Canterbury
6 Somerset (t20)	
7 Gloucs (CC)	Ageas Bowl
11 Middlesex (t20)	Ageas Bowl
13 Essex (CC)	Colchester
18 Sussex (t20)	Ageas Bowl
22 Essex (t20)	Chelmsford
26 Derbyshire (RLC)	Derby
27 Lancashire (RLC)	.Old Trafford
31 Gloucs (RLC)	Bristol

## August

6 Leicestershire (RLC)	
8 Northants (RLC)	.Ageas Bowl
11 Worcs (RLC)	.Ageas Bowl
13 Essex (RLC)	.Chelmsford
14 Sri Lanka A (Tour)	.Ageas Bowl
15 Kent (CC)	Canterbury
21 Yorkshiré (RLC)	.Ageas Bowl
31 Leicestershire (CC)	

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Key: CC = county championship. t20 = NatWest t20 Blast. RLC = Royal London Cup 30 THE DAILY ECHO SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2014

# Local Cricket Spotlight

## Hampshire duo set for Electric Cup action

HAMPSHIRE pair Liam Dawson and Chris Wood are both set to play for the county's Academy side in tomorrow's t20 clash against Southern Electric Cup holders South Wilts on the Ageas Bowl Nursery ground, 2pm.

ground, 2pm.
It will be Dawson's, pictured below, first game since injuring his groin in the NatWest t20



Blast defeat by Glamorgan in May, while Wood has been hugely effective for Hampshire this season, as they top their group.

Lewis McManus is also included in a strong looking Academy side against the cup holders. Admission to the

match is free.

Hampshire Academy: Weatherley,
McManus, Dawson, Alsop, Goodwin,
Webb, Stokes, Wood, Gorvin, Taylor,
Crane, Murray.

The Academy-South Wilts tie is one of six Southern Electric t20 Cup second-round games taking place tomorrow.

2012 winners Bashley (Rydal) host Lymington in a New Forest derby, while Paultons chase a potential giant killing when Premier Division Ventnor visit Whitemoor Lane.
Pautons: Magee, Robinson, Hills, Duggan, Collins, Linge, Richman, Raftery, Lamb, Murrell, Denny.
Ventnor: Holpes Mills, George

Duggan, Collins, Linge, Richman, Raftery, Lamb, Murrell, Denny. Ventnor: Holmes, Mills, George, Friend, Eysele, B.Woodhouse, Ridley, Hilsum, Corbin, Westhorge, H.Calloway, Wilson, C.Calloway. Tichborne Park will

have similar ambitions when they entertain beaten 2013 finalists Burridge.

Burridge.
Sarisbury Athletic,
with a good track record
in t20 cricket, go to
Alton, while Havant
should be too strong for
their hosts,
Bournemouth at Chapel
Gate.

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Sunday's ties (3pm unless stated):
Alton v Sarisbury Athletic, Bashley
(Pydal) v Lymington, Bournemouth v
Havant, Hampshire Academy v South
Wilts (2pm), Paultons v Ventnor,
Tichborne Park v Burridge.

## Styris to face Andover

NEW Zealand all-rounder Scott Styris and former South Africa Test opener Herschelle Gibbs are the two big names in the Lashings World XI to face Andover in a t20 challenge match at London Road.

The Lashings team also includes lan Harvey, Yassir Arafat, Devon Malcolm and West Indies pace bowler Corey Collymore.



# No ordinary Joe

JOE Collings-Wells, pictured left, wrote his name in the record books when he fired a second consecutive Davidstow Village Cup century as Hambledon blazed into the last 16 of the national competition with a superb five-wicket win over last season's beaten

Lord's finalists, Rockhampton, in Gloucestershire.

The 20-year-old hit an

The 20-year-old hit an unbeaten 109 as Hambledon chased down a victory target of 234 to secure a visit to Cornish outfit, Roche on July 6.

Hambledon are left to fly the local flag after Parley and

Rowledge were both knocked out at the initial national phase.

Parley were bowled out for 66 and beaten by 121 runs by Oxfordshire's Great & Little Tew, while plucky Rowledge went down by eight runs chasing a Dinto total of 219.

# ELLIOTT'S STAR TURN WINS RAVE REVIEWS

NEW Milton captain Ryan Beck has insisted spin sensation Nick Elliott will keep his feet on the ground after carving his name in the Southern Electric Premier League hall of fame.

Elliott rewrote the record books when his eight-wicket haul against Bournemouth last weekend saw him return the best individual bowling figures in Division One history, writes

**NEIL PERRETT.**He became only the second player in the competition to take eight wickets, his 8-24 haul eclipsing Dave Wheeler's 8-36 – ironically, for New Milton against Bournemouth II in 2010.

His figures were the fifth best ever recorded in the entire Premier League, with only Havant's Richard Pineo (9-16 V Liphook & Ripsley, 2004), Matt Metcalfe (9-31, Lymington v South Wilts, 2013), Lymington's Matt Mixer (9-32 v Bashley Rydal, 2011) and Paul Ancell, with 8-23 for Portsmouth against Liphook in 2005, having better.

Elliott, who took his combined figures for the season to a staggering 19 wickets for only 68 runs off 39 overs, reduced the Lions from 79-2 to 107 all out as leaders New Milton maintained their 100 per cent winning start with a

three-wicket victory.

Skipper Beck said: "He was different gravy and his performance won us the game. In Nick and George Watts, we are fortunate to have two young lads who are howling very well

who are bowling very well.

"We need them to bowl well for the whole season, not just the first half. I know Nick has set his sights on 30 wickets and that would be a great achievement.

"I don't think it has really sunk in yet what he has achieved and what he could achieve but I know he will keep his feet on the ground because he is that type of lad."

Elliott, 20, made his SPL debut for Lymington as a teenager before switching camps to link up with his older brothers Ryan and Lee Beck at New Milton

Ryan Beck added: "I know people at Lymington put a lot of time into his



TURNING ON THE STYLE: New Milton bowler Nick Elliott celebrates one of his eight wickets against Bournemouth.

cricket and, when it came to the first team, I think he was thrown in at the deep end and maybe they didn't look too closely into his bowling, which is his real asset

his real asset.

"I didn't pressurise him into coming to New Milton until he hadn't been getting a fair crack of the whip at Lymington because we had to get him bowling

bowling.

"We want to keep him and will back whatever he does. We want to win the league and you need to keep your best players to do that."

Elliott bowled five Bournemouth

Elliott bowled five Bournemouth batsmen and had three others caught as the Lions lost their last eight wickets for 28 runs. Bournemouth old boys James Park (30) and Mark House (19) took New Milton within sight of the winning post before they crossed the line with five overs in hand, despite the best efforts of Schmulian (2-14) and Mike Kitson (2-25)

Ryan Beck said: "I know we got them for seven down but I didn't think that was a true reflection. If you win every game of the season, it doesn't matter about victory mar-

"Credit to Bournemouth because they were the best bowling side we had come up against this season and they played it hard. It was a good win for ""." Gracious-in-defeat Bournemouth skipper Martin Miller hailed the exploits of New Milton's record-breaking spinner Nick Elliott

ing spinner Nick Elliott.

The first of Elliott's eight victims, Miller, said: "He bowls with a flat trajectory and very consistently.

"He bowls a very consistent line and clearly gives it a rip. He is the sort of bloke everybody would want in their team and he looks a really good spin-

ner.
"He didn't bowl a length where you could easily get down the pitch and, on a turning wicket, he is one of those guys you just have to see off and take on the next bloke. We didn't manage to do that."

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# Local Cricket Spotlight





**RON BIDDLECOMBE** 

# Legend Ron brings up half century

NEW Forest cricket legend Ron Biddlecombe celebrates 50 years at Cadnam, with a special half-century anniversary match at Lambs Corner this Sunday afternoon (June 29).

Bramshaw raised and the son of a farmer, Ron has been playing for Cadnam since 1964 and has taken more than 1,000 wickets in a long and distinguished career.

Ron, 72 next month, has been groundsman at Lambs Corner since 1976 and still plays regularly for Cadnam's Sunday XI, as well as the Hampshire Over-70s team.

Secretary of Cadnam for 14 years and now club treasurer, Ron is supported by his wife Val, whose magnificent cricket teas are renowned throughout the region.

Last year he attended a garden party at Buckingham Palace in recognition of his services to Cadnam and New Forest cricket in general.

# **SOLFE** assured

PORTCHESTER went into today's home match with Hook & Newnham Basics II clinging on to Shrewton's shirt-tails at the top of Hampshire League County Division 1 after four straight wins.

But they owed much to last wicket pair Haydon Solfe and Dave O'Neill for last week's ultimately comfortable 103-run victory over St Cross Symondians III at the Green Jackets Ground.

They began well enough through Andrew Webb (37) and Richard Locke (20), but subsided to 133-9 after Jack Culmer (4-13) created inroads. But Solfe (39) and O'Neill (12) added a precious 61 to put Portchester out of sight at 194 all out.

Women's hockey coach Jack Middleton (37) and Richard Boote put St Cross in a promising position, but the innings caved in against Lee Hungerford (5-13) and Blake Barnwell (4-9) and St Cross were dismissed for 91.



**PORTCHESTER:** Standing (from left): Harry Robbins, Steve O'Neill, Blake Barnwell, Hayden Sole, David O'Neill, Curtis Locke. Front: Andrew Webb, Paul Hungerford, Tom Adams (captain), Lee Hungerford, Bichard Locke.

# TITLE HOPES IN TATTERS

ELLINGHAM'S prospects of featuring in the Hampshire League County Division 1 title race for a second consecutive season look almost dead and buried after rejuvenated Fareham & Crofton inflicted their third defeat in five matches.

The New Forest club, who finished runners-up to runaway champions Waterlooville last summer, went down by 21 runs to Fareham, whose season is going in the opposite direction after a shaky start, writes MIKE VIMPANY.

Century maker Aaron Barker (101) and Mark Burrett (47) did their bit, but Fareham's 271-9 proved too many as they fell short at 250 all out.

It could have been a different story, however, had Ellingham pressed home their advantage with Fareham 152-8 (Campbell Saul 40).

A hard hit half-century by Chris Davey (59) and a timely 42 not out from Reg Emery enabled Fareham to add precious late runs and bat Ellingham out of the match.

A third straight win for Fareham, coming on the back of early season losses to Island pair Ventnor and Ryde, has pushed the Bath Lane club into sixth spot, one behind newly promoted Ropley, their guests today.

Ropley saw their two-match winning start ended in an extraordinary game with Gosport Borough, which produced a staggering 648 runs, probably a County 1 record aggregate.

Teams don't lose too often scoring 311 – but Ropley did, by 26 runs, after Gosport had posted a mammoth 337

Michael Jenkins (92) and New Zealander Sean McCarthy (74) got the lion's share of the Borough total, but Queenslander Howard Biddle hit back for Ropley, batting a large chunk of the reply and scoring a pureby 127

scoring a punchy 127.

Nick Gerrard (35), Seb Newton (31) and Will Gabb (27) gave support, but Ropley didn't give up, with the Sennett brothers, Ed (36) and Tom producing a gallant last wicket stand to take their reply to 311.



GET IN: Shrewton's Marcus Jenkins celebrates taking a Ventnor wicket.

The mid-summer's day sun produced a welter of runs across County 1, with table toppers Shrewton and fast rising Lymington II also posting 300-blus totals.

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A total of 300 did not appear likely when Shrewton were 73-3, but Stuart Cruse (72), Tom Pottage (45) and Chris Brewer (40) took the game away from visiting Ventnor in a mid-innings scoring boom

Ventnor were never at the races and were dismissed for 131 (Hugh Calloway 48), with Jamie Mitchell taking 3-22 for Shrewton, whose title pretentions will come under the closest scrutiny at Gosport today.

Tom Atkins, previously a leading light with the now defunct Midhurst, has joined Lymington and underlined his class with a splendid 137 in the 172-run victory at Ryde.

Lymington posted 309-8, having been at a potential crossroads until Oli Kelly (44) joined Atkins for a stand which yielded 126 and set the visitors up for a fiery finale, 94 runs coming off the last ten overs as Atkins really let loose.

Australian Jarrad Hoskin (33) provided Ryde with a lively response, but wickets tumbled against Joel Sutherland (4-46), Lymington taking some high quality catches as they registered their third win.

James Damley-Jones fell nine runs short of a maiden CD1 century as Locks Heath made 274-5 against United Services, whom they beat by  $116 \, \mathrm{runs}$  at Burnaby Road.

Damley-Jones has put a lot of effort into colts coaching over the past year or so and had he progressed beyond 91, it would have been a pretty popular century in the Locks Heath dressing room.

But, with Scott Jones (48), Moshin Sabri (41) and Rob Stead (38 not out) all chipping in, Locks Heath put too many on the electronic Burnaby Road scoreboard before restricting US to 158-9.

Tre Manders, who plays for Bermuda Under-19s, would have made an ideal post-match drinking partner for Damley-Jones – the pair both having narrowly missed out on centuries!

Manders made 95 as Sarisbury Athletic II totalled 229 before chalking up their first win at the expense of rock-bottom Rowledge II, who have lost all three games.

Casper Hughes (58) and Darren Mitchell (52)

made half-centuries for Rowledge (205), who had Hampshire Over-50s captain Colin Day (4-54) to contend with.

Alex Kennedy's delight at scoring a century for Bournemouth II was tinged when New Milton overhauled the Lions' 231-9 to win by six wickets with nine balls to spare.

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Opener Kennedy anchored the Bournemouth imings with a season's best 106, but only Rob Jones (39) and Curtis Watton (33) provided any support as Dale Wakefield (3-31) and Dave Crossley (3-49) shared six of the wickets.

Tom Prodomo later became the second centurion of the match, carrying his bat for 103 and sharing a handy second-wicket stand with brother Joe (32)

Alfie Hussey (24) and Matt Rose, with a timely 44, played their part as New Milton – last year's County 2 winners – notched a third win in five outlings

Purbrook, who didn't play at all in May, ticked the win column for the first time, with a six-wicket win over Hook & Newnham Basics II, who fell to 178 all out once Kevin Light (56) and Graham Buckingham (31) had been parted.

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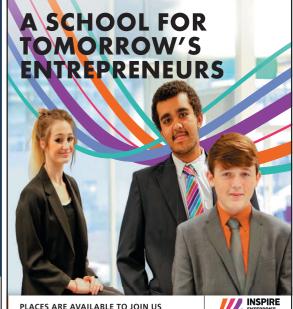
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Athletics MLD/EBD/HI/ASD: 1st East Hants 2nd Baycroft (Fareham), 3rd Dove House (Basingstoke & Deane)

Athletics Track Finals U13 Boys: 1st Robert Mays (Hart), 2nd Thornden (Eastleigh), 3rd Westgate (Winchester)

Athletics Track Finals U13 Girls: 1st St Nicholas (Hart), 2nd Swanmore (Winchester), 3rd St Swithuns (Portsmouth)

Athletics Track Finals U15 Boys: 1st Robert Mays (Hart), 2nd Burgate (New Forest), 3rd Cams Hill (Fareham)

Athletics Track Finals U15 Girls: 1st Robert Mays (Hart), 2nd Cams Hill (Fareham), 3rd Thornden (Eastleigh).

Basketball 5&6: 1st Elvetham Heath Primary (Hart), Upham Primary (Eastleigh), 3rd Meon Junior (Portsmouth).

Basketball 4v4 (7&8): 1st Lakeside (Eastleigh), 2nd Baycroft (Fareham), 3rd Dove House (Basingstoke & Deane)

Basketball 4v4 (9,10&11) 1st Lakeside (Eastleigh), 2nd Dove House (Basingstoke & Deane), 3rd Lord Wilson (Fareham)

Boccia Inclusive KS2: 1st Cedar (Southampton), 2nd St Neots Prep (Basingstoke & Deane), 3rd Icknield (Test Valley)



Boccia Inclusive KS3: 1st Samuel Cody (Rushmoor), 2nd Baycroft (Fareham), 3rd Cedar (Southampton).

Cycling: 1st Sandown Bay Academy (Isle of Wight), Toynbee (Eastleigh), 3rd Thornden (Eastleigh)

Football: 1st Fox Hills (New Forest), 2nd South Farnborough Junior (Rushmoor), Kings Worthy (Winchester).

Golf 3&4 (Tri): 1st Bassett Green (Southampton), 2nd St Johns (Fareham), 3rd Manor Junior (Rushmoor).

Golf 5&6 (Tri): 1st Manor Junior (Rushmoor), 2nd Corpus Christi (Portsmouth), 3rd Bassett Green (Southampton).

Gymnastics: 1st Wellow (Test Valley), 2nd Queens Enclosure Primary (Havant), 3rd Hamble Primary (Eastleigh) Hockey: 1st Hook & Warsash (Fareham), Halterworth (Test Valley), Mill Rythe (Havant)

Quad Kids: 1st Marchwood (New Forest), Berrywood (Eastleigh), St Marys (Basingstoke & Deane).

Netball (High 5): 1st Hordle Primary (New Forest), St Peters (Eastleigh), 3rd Sarisbury Junior (Fareham).

New Age Kurling (KS2): 1st Icknield (Test Valley), Cedar (Southampton), 3rd Cliffdale (Portsmouth).

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The following morning, Hampshire Talented Athlete Leanne Davies, a javelin thrower, opened the Hampshire Games.

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Twell said: "As someone who has represented Great Britain, I feel it is really important for me to give something back to sport because it has given me so much.

"I take great pride in the part I play in motivating and inspiring young people to take up sport and raise their own aspirations of what they can achieve.

"It is just a great way of sharing my experiences and knowledge to educate and help others choose the right paths in life and be the very best they can be."

Chair of the local organising committee, Anna Dawson, added: "The Hampshire Games continues to grow year on year.

"The level of commitment and dedication of the children this year has been exceptional."





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Rounders 7&8: 1st Perins School (Winchester), 2nd St Johns (Portsmouth), 3rd Kings School (Winchester).

Rounders 9&10: 1st Portsmouth Grammar (Portsmouth), 2nd Kings School (Winchester), 3rd St Johns (Portsmouth)

Swimming 3&4: 1st Bishops Waltham Junior (Winchester), St Swithuns Primary (Portsmouth), Craneswater Junior (Portsmouth).

Tag Rugby 5&6: 1st Sherbourne St John (Basingstoke & Deane), 2nd Bartley (New Forest), 3rd Godshill Primary (Isle of Wight), 3rd Abbotswood (New Forest)

Tennis 3&4: 1st Brockenhurst (New Forest), Bartley (New Forest), 3rd Horndean Junior (Havant).

Trampolining Girls 7&8: 1st Brighton Hill (Basingstoke & Deane), 2nd Portsmouth High School (Portsmouth), 3rd Westgate (Winchester).

Trampolining Girls 9&10: 1st St Georges (Southampton), 2nd Portsmouth High School (Portsmouth), 3rd Westgate 1 (Winchester).

Trampolining Boys 9&10: 1st Brighton Hill (Basingstoke & Deane), 2nd Westgate (Winchester)

Trampolining Boys 7&8: 1st Westgate (Winchester).



Volleyball Boys 9&10: 1st Priestlands A (New Forest), 2nd Priestlands B (New Forest), 3rd Toynbee (Eastleigh)

Volleyball Girls 9&10: 1st Crestwood A (Eastleigh), 2nd Priestlands A (New Forest), 3rd Priestlands B (New Forest)

## SATURDAY RESULTS

Badminton 5&6: 1st Portsmouth, 2nd New Forest Deers, 3rd New Forest Foxes

Badminton 7&8: 1st Portsmouth, 2nd Eastleigh, 3rd Test Valley.

Basketball 7&8 Boys: 1st Rushmoor, 2nd East Hants, 3rd Portsmouth

Basketball 7&8 Girls: 1st Portsmouth, 2nd Rushmoor, 3rd New Forest.

Girls Football Year 4: 1st Havant 1, 2nd Test Valley, 3rd Havant 2

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Handball U18: 1st East Hants, 2nd Eastleigh

Inclusive Multi Sport: 1st Eastleigh Yellow, 2nd Eastleigh Green, 3rd Eastleigh Blue

Judo U12: 1st Basingstoke & Deane 2nd Portsmouth, 3rd Eastleigh

Netball (High 5): 1st Portsmouth 1, 2nd Test Valley, 3rd Portsmouth 2.

Squash 5&6: 1st Eastleigh, 2nd New Forest, 3rd Basingstoke & Deane.

Squash 7&8: 1st Eastleigh, 2nd Basingstoke & Deane, 3rd Winchester.

Swimming 3, 4, 5 & 6: 1st Portsmouth, 2nd Basingstoke & Deane, 3rd East Hants.

Table Tennis Boys: 1st New Forest, 2nd

Table Tennis Girls: 1st Portsmouth, 2nd New Forest, 3rd Southampton.



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The six-furlong conditions event looks an ideal opportunity for the Sir Percy colt to regain the winning thread, having been successful first time up over five furlongs of this

oreen on that occasion before finding his feet, Richard Kingscote got first run on hot favourite Sunset Sail and was always doing enough from there.

The runner-up has won since, so it was a solid effort promising much for the future.

The selection's only subsequent outing came earlier this month at Windsor, and while he had to settle for fourth, the first three have all come out to run strong races, two of them at Royal Ascot, where winner Justice Good per-

formed really well in the Coventry.

With a pedigree full of stamina, it seems logical to think the step up in trip will be benefi-

Astronereus has shown more than enough to ability to suggest he will soon be winning races and the Bathwick Tyres Maiden Stakes is his latest chance.

The Amanda Perrett-trained Sea The Stars colt is well-related as a half-brother to French Derby winner Le Havre, but did not help him-



**RALPH BECKETT** 

self when taking a keen hold before finishing mid-division in a good maiden won by Connecticut at Newbury.

He again ran with promise when getting up late to finish within a length of a stablemate at Goodwood and if the penny has finally dropped he is going to be hard to beat.

Bellajeu is an intriguing newcomer in the Bathwick Tyres EBF Stallions Blagrave Maiden Stakes.

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Racing operation at Tattersalls, the Montjeu filly had options earlier in the week, but Olly Stevens has opted to start her here.

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A chance is taken on Homage in the New Horse Racing Odds At unibet.co.uk Handicap at Windsor.

On the face of it, two disappointing efforts at the backend of last season are off-putting, but there was an excuse on at least one of those runs and he had looked quite progressive before it.

He produced a likeable performance when a half-length second to the now 100-rated Ashaadd at Haydock last June and is back to a mark just 3lb higher.

Furthermore, he will be having his first start for William Haggas, who currently has his

string in scorching form.

Dangerous Moonlite looks a straightforward one for the British Stallion Studs EBF Fillies'

Conditions Stakes. Successful at Ascot in May, she returned there for the Queen Mary at the Royal meeting and showed loads of speed before ultimately finishing 10th, beaten a respectable seven

The general feeling is that was a red-hot renewal so little was lost in defeat and there

Richard Hannon-trained youngster before the season is out.

Bear's Affair finally seems to have found his stride over fences and he can bag a nice prize

in the John Smith's Summer Cup at Uttoxeter.
The eight-year-old was pretty smart over hurdles, but looked unlikely to reach the same kind of heights in the chase division after fail-

ing to strike in his first two outings. Even when he managed a win at Kempton last November his jumping still looked a little questionable and following defeat at Doncaster, Nicky Henderson gave him a break during which he had clearly done some schooling as he was much improved on his return.

He incurred a 5lb rise for his near four-length defeat of Pure Faith but as the front pair were well clear of the rest, Bear's Affair looks a likely type to defy such a leap.

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## **DEREK BURRIDGE GOLF & RACING** TROPHIES HANDICAP (SENIORS' SPRINT) (CLASS 4). £8,000 added 6YO PLUS 5f Penalty

1	15000/	LIVING IT LARGE (FR) (729) (D) E De Giles 7 9 7 O Murphy (3) 1
2	-00230	CRUISE TOTHELIMIT (IRE) (15) (D)(BF)   Williams 6 9 7S De Sousa 7
3	100-15	AYE AYE DIGBY (IRE) (36) (C)(D) P Chamings 9 9 4 R Hughes 6
4	6-3405	NOVERRE TO GO (IRE) (15) R Harris 8 9 3 S Drowne 9
5	420044	UBETTERBEGOOD (ARG) (15) (D) R Cowell 6 9 1 P Dobbs 2

6	116232	SECRET MILLIONAIRE (IRE) (5) (D7)(BF) L Dace 7 9 0 L Morris 5
7	064334	GINZAN (5) (D) M Saunders 6 8 11 J Fortune 8
8	640015	SIR GEOFFREY (IRE) (18) (D1) S Dixon 8 8 9
9	631036	SIX WIVES (21) (D10) S Dixon 7 8 8
0	150/0-	MY METEOR (300) (D) A Newcombe 7 8 2 N Garbutt (5) 3

BETTING: 7-2 Secret Millionaire, 5-1 Ginzan, 6-1 Six Wives, 7-1 Ubetterbegood, Cruise Tothelimit, 8-1 Aye Aye Digby, 10-1 Sir Geoffrey, Noverre To Go, 14-1 others.

## BATHWICK TYRES MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS 5), £6,500 added 3YO PLUS 1m 2f Penalty Value £4,205.

1	02	ASTRONEREUS (IRE) (21) Mrs A Perrett 3 9 0 P Dobbs 1
2	23-363	CARTHAGE (IRE) (21) R Hannon 3 9 0 R Hughes 2
3	0-25	GREEN LIGHT (21) R Beckett 3 9 0
4	04	HIGH CHURCH (IRE) (48) R Charlton 3 9 0 O Murphy (3) 3
5	0-	HOPEIGETLUCKY (257) W Kittow 3 9 0 L Morris 9
6	6	NEW REACTION (24) Mrs A Perrett 3 9 0 J Fortune 6
7	04	NEW STORY (15) I Mohammed 3 9 0 T Queally 10
8	02-	ARABIAN BEAUTY (IRE) (247) S Bin Suroor 3 8 9 K Fallon 5
9		BIKINI ISLAND (USA) A Balding 3 8 9 L Keniry 11
10	0-2	DALMATIA (IRE) (25) Sir M Stoute 3 8 9 S W Kelly 13
11		ELBERETH A Balding 3 8 9
12	60	LOLA MONTEZ (IRE) (17) D Lanigan 3 8 9 T Durcan 8
13	0	SILKEN WATERS (17) Eve J-Houghton 3 8 9

BETTING: 7-2 Astronereus, 4-1 Carthage, 5-1 New Story, 6-1 Arabian Beauty, 8-1 High Church, 10-1 Green Light, Dalmatia, 12-1 New Reaction, 20-1 others.

## **BATHWICK TYRES AUCTION STAKES** (CONDITIONS RACE) (CLASS 3). £12,000 added 2YO only 6f Penalty Value £7,763.

2	31	STEP TO THE SHEARS (16) (D) R Hannon 8 11P Dobbs 5
3	2	PADDYS MOTORBIKE (IRE) (16) P Evans 8 10S De Sousa 2
3	2	
4	410	AMONG ANGELS (12) (D) R Hannon 8 8 R Hughes 1
5	1	ROOM KEY (19) (CD) Eve J-Houghton 8 5
6	221	BROWN VELVET (40) (D) H Palmer 8 4 N Garbutt (5) 6
7	40	GILDED LACE (9) J S Moore 8 0 L Morris 4
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BETTING: 2-1 Percy Alleline, 11-4 Among Angels, 11-2 Room Key, 7-1 Step To The Shears, 8-1 Brown Velvet, 10-1 Paddys Motorbike, 14-1 Gilded Lace.

## H S LESTER MEMORIAL HANDICAP (CLASS 4). £8,000 added 4YO PLUS 1m 6f Penalty Value £5,175.

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1	250402	ICEBUSTER (14) B Millman 6 9 7R Havlin
2	26-342	OPERA BUFF (24) (CD)(BF) J Santos 5 9 4 S De Sousa 1
3	/300-2	ROCKFELLA (56) (CD) D Coakley 8 9 2 O Murphy (3) 10
4	0-4621	TEAK (IRE) (7) (CD)   Williams 7 9 2(6ex) S Donohoe 8
5	30-650	SABORIDO (USA) (15) (CD) Mrs A Perrett 8 9 1 P Dobbs
6	0/5-53	KLEITOMACHOS (IRE) (61) W Kittow 6 9 1 K Fallon
7	03-655	DESERT RECLUSE (IRE) (17) (D)   Williams 7 8 12 J Crowley :
8	000-01	SUNNY FUTURE (IRE) (19) (CD) M Saunders 8 8 11 R Hughes :
9	42-60	SHANTI (45) M Bell 4 8 7
10	30-212	IVANHOE (38) M Blanshard 4 8 7
11	30-315	HAPPY FAMILIES (15) Mrs H Main 4 8 6 L Morris

BETTING: 4-1 Sunny Future, 9-2 Teak, 6-1 Opera Buff, 7-1 Ivanhoe, Rockfella, 8-Icebuster, 10-1 Happy Families, 12-1 Kleitomachos, 14-1 others.

MOLSON COORS HANDICAP (CLASS 2) £20,000 added 3YO PLUS 1m Penalty Value £12.450.

# **Sunday's runners**

2	02-004	MAGIC CITY (IRE) (38) R Hannon 5 9 7
3	064200	TELLOVOI (IRE) (29) (D) Miss A Stokell 6 9 6 L Morris 8
4	005-00	DIRECTORSHIP (15) (D) P Chamings 8 9 5 J Crowley 5
5	5040-0	VALAIS GIRL (50) M Tregoning 4 9 4
6	110-2	SILENT BULLET (IRE) (15) S Bin Suroor 3 9 4 K Fallon 2
7	454416	VERSE OF LOVE (38) (D) P Evans 5 9 1 S De Sousa 7
8	010-00	WEAPON OF CHOICE (IRE) (67) (D) W Kittow 6 9 0T Queally 1
9	0-6543	GOOD AUTHORITY (IRE) (16) Miss K George 7 8 12 O Murphy (3) 10
0	251-00	MASTER THE WORLD (IRE) (57) (D) D Elsworth 3 8 10L Keniry 9
1	220000	BROCKLEBANK (IRE) (15) (D) S Dow 5 8 9 K Shoemark (7) 3

BETTING: 9-4 Silent Bullet, 5-1 Magic City, 6-1 The Rectifier, 8-1 Master The World 10-1 Verse Of Love, Directorship, 12-1 Tellovoi, Valais Girl, 14-1 others.

## **CGA RACING EXCELLENCE APPRENTICE** HANDICAP (WHIPS SHALL BE CARRIED BUT NOT USED) (CLASS 6). £4,000 added 3YO only 1m Penalty Value £2,588.

44 MERCURY MAGIC (33) R Beckett 9 7 P C O'Donnell (	5) 8
24 DYLAN'S CENTENARY (14) B Millman 9 6 Sophie Killoran (	7) 3
00 DANCING SAL (IRE) (26) G L Moore 9 6	5) 7
00 LA NAPOULE (19) R Hannon 9 6	5) 4
00 LADY KNIGHT (IRE) (23) J S Moore 9 6 Josephine Gordon (	5) 6
1-0 PACIFIC TRIP (25) A Balding 9 1	5) 5
04 DARK PHANTOM (IRE) (19) P Makin 8 13 C Meehan (5)	11 (
40 EUGENIC (15) B Millman 8 13Jordan Vaughan	110
60 SPIRITED SILVER (9) J Bridger 8 8Charlotte Jenne	er 9
00 MACNAMARA (24) H Dunlop 8 8 Leah-Anne Avery (	
50 DEDMCIDI (IDE) (16) M Squindore 9 9 A Mol on	0

BETTING: 4-1 Pacific Trip, 9-2 Dylan's Centenary, 5-1 Mercury Magic, 6-1 Dancing Sal, 7-1 Eugenic, 8-1 Dark Phantom, 10-1 La Napoule, 16-1 Permsiri, Lady Knight, 20-1 others.

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# Non-league Football





RICHARD HILL

# Hill has no feelings for City

EASTLEIGH boss Richard Hill says he has no feelings either way about Salisbury City's expulsion from the Conference Premier.

With some heavy-duty travelling ahead of them following promotion into non-League's top flight, there are many in the Spitfires camp who would have welcomed a derby against Salisbury.

But, for the second time in four years, the Wiltshire club have been thrown out of the Conference Premier for failing to get their

financial house in order, leaving Eastleigh's closest rivals as Aldershot Town and Woking.

Asked his reaction to Salisbury's latest predicament, Hill shrugged: "I don't really care if they're in the league or not.

'It doesn't matter what Richard Hill thinks, it's what the league think and what they decide that

"It's not about what I think. 'It's the same for anyone in life.

keep amassing debt, we're going to lose our house. "And it's not like Salisbury

haven't been there before.

"I don't really have an opinion on it. Yes, we've lost a derby game but we've got Woking and

Eastleigh are "monitoring" the situation of striker Ben Wright, who scored 11 goals in 15 games on loan from Salisbury last season to help fire the Spitfires to the Skrill

# If we don't pay our bills and we Conference South title. **SALISBURY City's woes continued** this week when manager Mikey **Harris departed for Portsmouth.** Harris exercised a clause in his contract, leaving him free to take up a role at Fratton Park with the youth team, *writes Joel Holt.* Salisbury were expelled from the Conference Premier earlier this month after failing to clear outstanding debts and now face the trauma of replacing the popular manager Harris, pictured, had renewed his contract at the Whites last month and was set to be head coach when the squad returns for preseason on Monday. But, after relegation to the Conference South, he was left considering his future On his return from honeymoon the UEFA A licensed coach had talks with owner Mark **Great memories** While discussions were ongoing with

Winter, Pompey, a club Harris played for

and supported as a boy, offered him the opportunity to join as a coach.

Harris said: "I would like to thank the players, staff and supporters at Salisbury City for their support during my time at the club. I leave with some great memories of some special achievements."

A club statement said: "Manager Mikey Harris has left Salisbury City FC, exercising a clause in his contract to join league two Portsmouth in a youth team capacity. "Naturally it is a big blow to the club.

Mikey may well have stayed if joint owner Mark Winter had been able to wrestle complete control of the club off Otail Touzar. which is the subject of an ongoing legal

action. Ironically Touzar has not spoken to Mikey or is even aware that the manager

Salisbury City spokesman Paul Smith added: "Obviously we are extremely disappointed to lose Mikey but, under the circumstances, appreciate why he has decided to leave. He goes with our best wishes for the

Joint owner Mark Winter admitted: "T'm devastated to lose Mikey and felt he would have stayed if Otail Touzar had not remained as the owner of the club.

"But as the legal fight to remove him

(Touzar) continues, Mikey has decided with a heavy heart to leave.

"For him and Sarah Gomme (new wife) we can all understand the reasons for coming to this decision.

The Football Conference board threw Whites out of the Premier ranks two weeks ago and relegated them to the Conference South for not paying their

players' wages. City have until 5pm on Friday (July 4) to settle their football creditors and secure a bond of £50,000 or face being expelled from the Conference altogether.

# Bash get a boost

HARD-UP Bashley have received support in their battle for survival – from a club that know what they are going through.
Ritchie Jeune, chairman of Kettering

Town, has called on Poppies fans to show their support for the New Forest club when the two teams meet in a

Kettering - a Conference Premier club just three seasons ago and once managed by Paul Gascoigne - will visit Bashley Road on Saturday, August 2 for what will be their final friendly before their Southern League Division

One Central campaign gets under way.
Jeune confirmed: "The first team will be travelling down to Bashley to show our support for a club who, like us, have struggled financially and are going through a phase of rebuilding.

"We hope our fans will have a summer day out and come down and support the team, but also to support Bashley with a few beers in their club-

house to toast their future."
Former AFC Totton youth striker Jack
Odam was the big winner at Bashley's

end-of-season presentation night.
Odam – who is heading for
Conference South outfit Gosport Borough next season – won the players' player, supporters' player and Bash 47 Independent Supporters' Association player-of-the-season awards as well as being crowned top

Outgoing co-boss/player Paul Gazzard, who was honoured for 300 Bash appearances, selected Brad Strickland as his player-of-the-season. Monty George was voted best young player and the most improved player was Sam Roberts.

# Frear deal

FOREST Green Rovers have made their second summer signing from crisis club Salisbury City.

Hot on the heels of taking Clovic Kamdjo to The New Lawn, Rovers have signed winger Elliott Frear on a twoyear deal from their troubled

Conference Premier rivals.
The 23-year-old made 45 appearances for Salisbury last season, scoring six goals, and his impressive perfor-mances earned him international recognition for England C.

A product of the Exeter City youth system, Frear initially joined the Whites on loan during 2012/13 before signing a permanent deal in June last year. FGR boss Ady Pennock said of Frear: "He's a young player with ambition, he's got pace and he can put a quality hall in the hox

ball in the box.

"He had a very good season for Salisbury last year, so this is a great addition for us."



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